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SENATE BILL

No. 1407

Introduced by Senator Perata (Coauthors: Senators Corbett, Kuehl, and Ridley-Thomas)

(Coauthor: Assembly Member Jones)

February 21, 2008

An act to amend Section 6322.1 of the Business and Professions Code, to amend Sections 68085.1, 68085.3, 68085.4, 68086.1, 70372, 70374, 70375, 70391, 70603, 70611, 70612, 70613, 70614, 70617, 70621, 70650, 70651, 70652, 70653, 70654, 70655, 70656, 70657, 70657.5, 70658, and 70670 of, and to add Sections 68085.45, 70371.5, 70371.6, 70373, and 70602 to, the Government Code, to amend Section 103470 of the Health and Safety Code, to amend Section 1463.010 of, and to amend, repeal, and add Section 1203.1d of, the Penal Code, to amend Section 7660 of the Probate Code, and to amend Sections 40611

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and 42007.1 of the Vehicle Code, relating to court facilities, and making an appropriation therefor.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1407, as amended, Perata. Court facilities: financing.

(1) The Trial Court Facilities Act of 2002 establishes the State Court Facilities Construction Fund and provides that moneys in that fund may be used to acquire, rehabilitate, construct, or finance court facilities, as defined, and to implement trial court projects in designated counties, as specified.

This bill would extend the purposes for which moneys in that fund may be used to include the planning, design, construction, rehabilitation, replacement, leasing, or acquisition of court facilities. The bill would establish the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, the proceeds of which would be used for the planning, design, construction, rehabilitation, renovation, replacement, or acquisition of court facilities, for the repayment of moneys appropriated for lease of court facilities pursuant to the issuance of lease-revenue bonds, and for the payment for lease or rental of court facilities. The bill would require the Judicial Council to collect and make available information regarding moneys in the account, as specified, and to make recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature for projects based on its determination that the need for a project is most immediate and critical, as specified. The bill would authorize the Judicial Council to acquire sites for the replacement of deficient court facilities in-four 4 specified counties-and-would appropriate up to \$61,584,000 from the State Court Facilities Construction Fund to the Judicial Council for this purpose. The bill would require any moneys remaining in, or that would otherwise be payable into, the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, to be transferred to the Controller for deposit into the State Trial Court Operations Trust Fund, as established by this bill, upon the retirement of any bonded indebtedness that may be incurred in connection with immediate and critical trial court projects, the proceeds of which would be available upon appropriation by the Legislature only for trial court operations.

(2) Existing law provides that the Judicial Council, as the policymaking body for the judicial branch, shall have certain responsibilities and authorities with regard to court facilities, including

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to conduct audits of the collection of fees by the local courts, and to establish and consult with local project advisory groups on the construction of new trial court facilities.

This bill would further authorize the Judicial Council to conduct audits of the collection of fees to be transmitted to the state for deposit in the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund. The bill would include the local sheriff among those local project advisory groups with which the Judicial Council consults in the construction of new trial court facilities, as specified.

(3) Existing law specifies various uniform fees for filing specified documents in connection with certain civil proceedings, including a fee schedule for filing a first petition or first account in connection with a trust or estate. Existing law also imposes a fee of \$20 upon every conviction for a criminal offense, other than parking offenses, for funding of court security, and a fee of \$10 for corrections of violations of license, registration, or mechanical requirements of the Vehicle Code. Supplemental penalties and fees are imposed upon specified parking offenses and persons ordered to attend traffic violator school. Existing law specifies the disposition of fines and forfeitures, and traffic violator fees, collected by the courts for crimes other than parking violations.

This bill would generally increase those fees, and would impose an additional assessment upon every conviction for a criminal offense, but would eliminate the fee schedule for filing a first petition or first account in connection with a trust or estate and replace it with a set filing fee. The bill would eliminate certain exemptions from payment of filing fees in connection with an estate. The bill would impose a fee for filing in the superior court an application to appear as counsel pro hac vice. The bill would provide for a specified portion of all of those fees to be deposited into the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, as described in (1) above. The bill would make other conforming changes, and would declare the intent of the Legislature to establish a moratorium on increases in filing fees until January 1, 2012.

- (4) This bill would incorporate additional changes in Section 68085.1 of the Government Code proposed by AB 1873, to be operative if AB 1873 and this bill are both chaptered and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, and this bill is chaptered last.
- (5) This bill would incorporate additional changes in Sections 68085.3, 68085.4, 68086.1, 70611, 70612, 70613, 70614, 70621, 70650, 70651, 70652, 70653, 70654, 70655, 70656, 70658, and 70670 of the

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Government Code, Section 103470 of the Health and Safety Code, and Section 7660 of the Probate Code, proposed by SB 1177, to be operative if SB 1177 and this bill are both chaptered and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, and this bill is chaptered last.

Vote: $\frac{2}{3}$ -majority. Appropriation: yes-no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 6322.1 of the Business and Professions Code is amended to read:

6322.1. (a) Until the end of the moratorium described in Section 70601 of the Government Code, the board of supervisors of any county may increase, as provided in this section, the amount distributed to its county law library fund from the uniform filing fees listed in Section 6321 whenever it determines that the increase is necessary to defray the expenses of the law library.

Any increase in the amount distributed to the law library fund in any county under this subdivision shall not be effective until January 1 of the next year after the adoption by the board of supervisors of the increase. The amount of the increase in any calendar year shall be no greater than three dollars (\$3) over the previous calendar year. A copy of the action of the board of supervisors that establishes the increase shall be provided to the Administrative Office of the Courts as soon as it becomes available but no later than December 15 of the year before the increased distribution goes into effect.

- (b) Distribution changes after January 1, 2008, shall be determined by the process described in Section 70601 of the Government Code.
- (c) (1) In an action or proceeding in which a claim for money damages falls within the monetary jurisdiction of the small claims court and is filed by an assignee who is prohibited from filing or maintaining a claim pursuant to Section 116.420 of the Code of Civil Procedure, the uniform filing fee shall be reduced by twenty-four dollars (\$24) to one hundred seventy-six dollars (\$176) if the complaint contains a declaration under penalty of perjury, executed by the party requesting the reduction in fees, that the case qualifies for the lower fee because the claim for money damages

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will not exceed the monetary jurisdiction of small claims court and is filed by an assignee of the claim. (2) When the uniform filing fee is reduced as provided under

(2) When the uniform filing fee is reduced as provided under this subdivision, the amount distributed from each uniform filing fee to the law library fund in the county shall be as follows:

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8	Jurisdiction	Amount
9	Alameda	\$12.00
10	Alpine	1.00
11	Amador	6.00
12	Butte	12.00
13	Calaveras	7.00
14	Colusa	12.00
15	Contra Costa	8.00
16	Del Norte	6.00
17	El Dorado	9.00
18	Fresno	9.00
19	Glenn	6.00
20	Humboldt	12.00
21	Imperial	12.00
22	Inyo	6.00
23	Kern	12.00
24	Kings	12.00
25	Lake	12.00
26	Lassen	12.00
27	Los Angeles	5.00
28	Madera	12.00
29	Marin	12.00
30	Mariposa	4.00
31	Mendocino	12.00
32	Merced	12.00
33	Modoc	6.00
34	Mono	6.00
35	Monterey	10.00
36	Napa	12.00
37	Nevada	7.00
38	Orange	8.00
39	Placer	7.00
40	Plumas	6.00

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1	Riverside	12.00
2	Sacramento	8.50
3	San Benito	6.00
4	San Bernardino	12.00
5	San Diego	12.00
6	San Francisco	12.00
7	San Joaquin	10.00
8	San Luis Obispo	12.00
9	San Mateo	12.00
10	Santa Barbara	12.00
11	Santa Clara	8.00
12	Santa Cruz	12.00
13	Shasta	8.50
14	Sierra	9.00
15	Siskiyou	8.00
16	Solano	9.00
17	Sonoma	12.00
18	Stanislaus	6.50
19	Sutter	1.00
20	Tehama	9.00
21	Trinity	6.00
22	Tulare	12.00
23	Tuolumne	2.00
24	Ventura	12.00
25	Yolo	10.00
26	Yuba	7.00
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The increases described in subdivision (a) do not apply to the law library distributions in this subdivision.

(3) Notwithstanding subdivision (d) of Section 68085.4 of the Government Code, when the uniform filing fee is reduced as provided in this subdivision, the amounts distributed to dispute resolution programs, the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, the Judges' Retirement Fund, children's waiting rooms, and the Equal Access Fund shall remain as provided under subdivisions (b) and (c) of Section 68085.4 of the Government Code and shall not be changed. Only the amounts distributed to the Trial Court Trust Fund, the law libraries, and the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund shall be adjusted. The amount distributed from each uniform filing fee

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under this section to the Immediate and Critical Needs Account 1 2 of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in 3 Section 70371.5, shall be eleven dollars (\$11). If the fee is further reduced below one hundred seventy-six dollars (\$176), as with a partial waiver or partial payment, the proportional reductions described in subdivision (g) of Section 68085.1 of the Government 6 7 Code shall apply.

- (d) Distributions under this section to the law library fund in each county shall be used only for the purposes authorized by this chapter.
- (e) As used in this section and Section 6321, "law library fund" includes a law library account described in the second paragraph of Section 6320.
- SEC. 1.5. Section 68085.1 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 68085.1. (a) This section applies to all fees and fines that are collected on or after January 1, 2006, under all of the following:
- (1) Sections 177.5, 209, 403.060, 491.150, 631.3, 683.150, 18 704.750, 708.160, 724.100, 1134, 1161.2, 1218, and 1993.2 of, subdivision (g) of Section 411.20 and subdivisions (c) and (g) of 20 Section 411.21 of, and Chapter 5.5 (commencing with Section 116.110) of Title 1 of Part 1 of, the Code of Civil Procedure.
 - (2) Section 3112 of the Family Code.

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- (3) Section 31622 of the Food and Agricultural Code.
- (4) Subdivision (d) of Section 6103.5, Sections 68086 and 68086.1, subdivision (d) of Section 68511.3, Sections 68926.1 and 69953.5, and Chapter 5.8 (commencing with Section 70600).
 - (5) Section 103470 of the Health and Safety Code.
- 29 (6) Subdivisions (b) and (c) of Section 166 and Section 1214.1 30 of the Penal Code.
- 31 (7) Sections 1835, 1851.5, 2343, 7660, and 13201 of the Probate 32 Code.
 - (8) Sections 14607.6 and 16373 of the Vehicle Code.
- 34 (9) Section 71386 of this code, Sections 304, 7851.5, and 9002 35 of the Family Code, and Section 1513.1 of the Probate Code, if 36 the reimbursement is for expenses incurred by the court.
- 37 (10) Section 3153 of the Family Code, if the amount is paid to 38 the court for the cost of counsel appointed by the court to represent 39 a child.

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(b) On and after January 1, 2006, each superior court shall 1 2 deposit all fees and fines listed in subdivision (a), as soon as 3 practicable after collection and on a regular basis, into a bank 4 account established for this purpose by the Administrative Office of the Courts. Upon direction of the Administrative Office of the 5 Courts, the county shall deposit civil assessments under Section 6 7 1214.1 of the Penal Code and any other money it collects under 8 the sections listed in subdivision (a) as soon as practicable after collection and on a regular basis into the bank account established for this purpose and specified by the Administrative Office of the 10 Courts. The deposits shall be made as required by rules adopted 11 by, and financial policies and procedures authorized by, the Judicial 12 13 Council under subdivision (a) of Section 77206. Within 15 days after the end of the month in which the fees and fines are collected, 14 15 each court, and each county that collects any fines or fees under subdivision (a), shall provide the Administrative Office of the 16 17 Courts with a report of the fees by categories as specified by the Administrative Office of the Courts. The Administrative Office 18 19 of the Courts and any court may agree upon a time period greater than 15 days, but in no case more than 30 days after the end of the 20 21 month in which the fees and fines are collected. The fees and fines 22 listed in subdivision (a) shall be distributed as provided in this 23 section.

- (c) (1) Within 45 calendar days after the end of the month in which the fees and fines listed in subdivision (a) are collected, the Administrative Office of the Courts shall make the following distributions:
- (A) To the small claims advisory services, as described in subdivision (f) of Section 116.230 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
- (B) To dispute resolution programs, as described in subdivision (b) of Section 68085.3 and subdivision (b) of Section 68085.4.
- (C) To the county law library funds, as described in Sections 116.230 and 116.760 of the Code of Civil Procedure, subdivision (b) of Section 68085.3, subdivision (b) of Section 68085.4, and Section 70621 of this code, and Section 14607.6 of the Vehicle Code.
- 37 (D) To the courthouse construction funds in the Counties of 38 Riverside, San Bernardino, and San Francisco, as described in 39 Sections 70622, 70624, and 70625.

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(2) If any distribution under this subdivision is delinquent, the Administrative Office of the Courts shall add a penalty to the distribution as specified in subdivision (i).

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- (d) Within 45 calendar days after the end of the month in which the fees and fines listed in subdivision (a) are collected, the amounts remaining after the distributions in subdivision (c) shall be transmitted to the State Treasury for deposit in the Trial Court Trust Fund and other funds as required by law. This remittance shall be accompanied by a remittance advice identifying the collection month and the appropriate account in the Trial Court Trust Fund or other fund to which it is to be deposited. Upon the receipt of any delinquent payment required under this subdivision, the Controller shall calculate a penalty as provided under subdivision (i).
- (e) From the money transmitted to the State Treasury under subdivision (d), the Controller shall make deposits as follows:
- (1) Into the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, the Judges' Retirement Fund, and the Equal Access Fund, as described in subdivision (c) of Section 68085.3 and subdivision (c) of Section 68085.4.
- (2) Into the Health Statistics Special Fund, as described in subdivision (b) of Section 70670 of this code and Section 103730 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (3) Into the Family Law Trust Fund, as described in Section 70674.
- (4) Into the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5, as described in Sections 68085.3, 68085.4, and 70657.5, and subdivision (e) of Section 70617.
- 30 (5) The remainder of the money shall be deposited into the Trial 31 Court Trust Fund.
 - (f) The amounts collected by each superior court under Section 116.232, subdivision (g) of Section 411.20, and subdivision (g) of Section 411.21 of the Code of Civil Procedure, Sections 304, 3112, 3153, 7851.5, and 9002 of the Family Code, subdivision (d) of Section 6103.5, subdivision (d) of Section 68511.3 and Sections 68926.1, 69953.5, 70627, 70631, 70640, 70661, 70678, and 71386 of this code, and Sections 1513.1, 1835, 1851.5, and 2343 of the
- 38 39 Probate Code shall be added to the monthly apportionment for that
- 40 court under subdivision (a) of Section 68085.

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(g) If any of the fees provided in subdivision (a) are partially waived by court order or otherwise reduced, and the fee is to be divided between the Trial Court Trust Fund and any other fund or account, the amount of the reduction shall be deducted from the amount to be distributed to each fund in the same proportion as the amount of each distribution bears to the total amount of the fee. If the fee is paid by installment payments, the amount distributed to each fund or account from each installment shall bear the same proportion to the installment payment as the full distribution to that fund or account does to the full fee. If a court collects a fee that was incurred before January 1, 2006, under a provision that was the predecessor to one of the paragraphs contained in subdivision (a), the fee may be deposited as if it were collected under the paragraph of subdivision (a) that corresponds to the predecessor of that paragraph and distributed in prorated amounts to each fund or account to which the fee in subdivision (a) must be distributed.

- (h) Except as provided in Sections 470.5 and 6322.1 of the Business and Professions Code, and Sections 70622, 70624, and 70625 of this code, no agency may take action to change the amounts allocated to any of the funds described in subdivision (c), (d), or (e).
- (i) The amount of the penalty on any delinquent payment under subdivision (c) or (d) shall be calculated by multiplying the amount of the delinquent payment at a daily rate equivalent to $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent per month for the number of days the payment is delinquent. The penalty shall be paid from the Trial Court Trust Fund. Penalties on delinquent payments under subdivision (d) shall be calculated only on the amounts to be distributed to the Trial Court Trust Fund and the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, and each penalty shall be distributed proportionately to the funds to which the delinquent payment was to be distributed.
- (j) If a delinquent payment under subdivision (c) or (d) results from a delinquency by a superior court under subdivision (b), the court shall reimburse the Trial Court Trust Fund for the amount of the penalty. Notwithstanding Section 77009, any penalty on a delinquent payment that a court is required to reimburse pursuant to this section shall be paid from the court operations fund for that court. The penalty shall be paid by the court to the Trial Court Trust Fund no later than 45 days after the end of the month in

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which the penalty was calculated. If the penalty is not paid within the specified time, the Administrative Office of the Courts may reduce the amount of a subsequent monthly allocation to the court by the amount of the penalty on the delinquent payment.

- (k) If a delinquent payment under subdivision (c) or (d) results from a delinquency by a county in transmitting fees and fines listed in subdivision (a) to the bank account established for this purpose, as described in subdivision (b), the county shall reimburse the Trial Court Trust Fund for the amount of the penalty. The penalty shall be paid by the county to the Trial Court Trust Fund no later than 45 days after the end of the month in which the penalty was calculated.
- SEC. 1.7. Section 68085.1 of the Government Code is amended to read:
 - 68085.1. (a) This section applies to all fees and fines that are collected on or after January 1, 2006, under all of the following:
 - (1) Sections 177.5, 209, 403.060, 491.150, 631.3, 683.150, 704.750, 708.160, 724.100, 1134, 1161.2, 1218, and 1993.2 of, subdivision (g) of Section 411.20 and subdivisions (c) and (g) of Section 411.21 of, and Chapter 5.5 (commencing with Section 116.110) of Title 1 of Part 1 of, the Code of Civil Procedure.
 - (2) Section 3112 of the Family Code.

- (3) Section 31622 of the Food and Agricultural Code.
- (4) Subdivision (d) of Section 6103.5, Sections 68086 and 68086.1, subdivision (d) of Section 68511.3, Sections 68926.1 and 69953.5, and Chapter 5.8 (commencing with Section 70600).
 - (5) Section 103470 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (6) Subdivisions (b) and (c) of Section 166 and Section 1214.1 of the Penal Code.
- (7) Sections 1835, 1851.5, 2343, 7660, and 13201 of the Probate Code.
 - (8) Sections 14607.6 and 16373 of the Vehicle Code.
- (9) Section 71386 of this code, Sections 304, 7851.5, and 9002 of the Family Code, Section 1513.1 of the Probate Code, and Section 903.1 of the Welfare and Institutions Code, if the reimbursement is for expenses incurred by the court.
- 37 (10) Section 3153 of the Family Code, if the amount is paid to 38 the court for the cost of counsel appointed by the court to represent 39 a child.

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(b) On and after January 1, 2006, each superior court shall 1 2 deposit all fees and fines listed in subdivision (a), as soon as 3 practicable after collection and on a regular basis, into a bank 4 account established for this purpose by the Administrative Office of the Courts. Upon direction of the Administrative Office of the 5 Courts, the county shall deposit civil assessments under Section 6 7 1214.1 of the Penal Code and any other money it collects under 8 the sections listed in subdivision (a) as soon as practicable after collection and on a regular basis into the bank account established for this purpose and specified by the Administrative Office of the 10 Courts. The deposits shall be made as required by rules adopted 11 by, and financial policies and procedures authorized by, the Judicial 12 13 Council under subdivision (a) of Section 77206. Within 15 days after the end of the month in which the fees and fines are collected, 14 15 each court, and each county that collects any fines or fees under subdivision (a), shall provide the Administrative Office of the 16 17 Courts with a report of the fees by categories as specified by the Administrative Office of the Courts. The Administrative Office 18 19 of the Courts and any court may agree upon a time period greater than 15 days, but in no case more than 30 days after the end of the 20 21 month in which the fees and fines are collected. The fees and fines 22 listed in subdivision (a) shall be distributed as provided in this 23 section.

- (c) (1) Within 45 calendar days after the end of the month in which the fees and fines listed in subdivision (a) are collected, the Administrative Office of the Courts shall make the following distributions:
- (A) To the small claims advisory services, as described in subdivision (f) of Section 116.230 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
- (B) To dispute resolution programs, as described in subdivision (b) of Section 68085.3 and subdivision (b) of Section 68085.4.
- (C) To the county law library funds, as described in Sections 116.230 and 116.760 of the Code of Civil Procedure, subdivision (b) of Section 68085.3, subdivision (b) of Section 68085.4, and Section 70621 of this code, and Section 14607.6 of the Vehicle Code.
- 37 (D) To the courthouse construction funds in the Counties of 38 Riverside, San Bernardino, and San Francisco, as described in 39 Sections 70622, 70624, and 70625.

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- (d) Within 45 calendar days after the end of the month in which the fees and fines listed in subdivision (a) are collected, the amounts remaining after the distributions in subdivision (c) shall be transmitted to the State Treasury for deposit in the Trial Court Trust Fund and other funds as required by law. This remittance shall be accompanied by a remittance advice identifying the collection month and the appropriate account in the Trial Court Trust Fund or other fund to which it is to be deposited. Upon the receipt of any delinquent payment required under this subdivision, the Controller shall calculate a penalty as provided under subdivision (i).
- (e) From the money transmitted to the State Treasury under subdivision (d), the Controller shall make deposits as follows:
- (1) Into the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, the Judges' Retirement Fund, and the Equal Access Fund, as described in subdivision (c) of Section 68085.3 and subdivision (c) of Section 68085.4.
- (2) Into the Health Statistics Special Fund, as described in subdivision (b) of Section 70670 of this code and Section 103730 of the Health and Safety Code.
- (3) Into the Family Law Trust Fund, as described in Section 70674.
- (4) Into the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5, as described in Sections 68085.3, 68085.4, and 70657.5, and subdivision (e) of Section 70617.
- (5) The remainder of the money shall be deposited into the Trial Court Trust Fund.
- (f) The amounts collected by each superior court under Section 116.232, subdivision (g) of Section 411.20, and subdivision (g) of Section 411.21 of the Code of Civil Procedure, Sections 304, 3112, 3153, 7851.5, and 9002 of the Family Code, subdivision (d) of Section 6103.5, subdivision (d) of Section 68511.3 and Sections 68926.1, 69953.5, 70627, 70631, 70640, 70661, 70678, and 71386 of this code, and Sections 1513.1, 1835, 1851.5, and 2343 of the
- 38 39 Probate Code shall be added to the monthly apportionment for that
- 40 court under subdivision (a) of Section 68085.

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(g) If any of the fees provided in subdivision (a) are partially waived by court order or otherwise reduced, and the fee is to be divided between the Trial Court Trust Fund and any other fund or account, the amount of the reduction shall be deducted from the amount to be distributed to each fund in the same proportion as the amount of each distribution bears to the total amount of the fee. If the fee is paid by installment payments, the amount distributed to each fund or account from each installment shall bear the same proportion to the installment payment as the full distribution to that fund or account does to the full fee. If a court collects a fee that was incurred before January 1, 2006, under a provision that was the predecessor to one of the paragraphs contained in subdivision (a), the fee may be deposited as if it were collected under the paragraph of subdivision (a) that corresponds to the predecessor of that paragraph and distributed in prorated amounts to each fund or account to which the fee in subdivision (a) must be distributed.

- (h) Except as provided in Sections 470.5 and 6322.1 of the Business and Professions Code, and Sections 70622, 70624, and 70625 of this code, no agency may take action to change the amounts allocated to any of the funds described in subdivision (c), (d), or (e).
- (i) The amount of the penalty on any delinquent payment under subdivision (c) or (d) shall be calculated by multiplying the amount of the delinquent payment at a daily rate equivalent to $1\frac{1}{2}$ percent per month for the number of days the payment is delinquent. The penalty shall be paid from the Trial Court Trust Fund. Penalties on delinquent payments under subdivision (d) shall be calculated only on the amounts to be distributed to the Trial Court Trust Fund and the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, and each penalty shall be distributed proportionately to the funds to which the delinquent payment was to be distributed.
- (j) If a delinquent payment under subdivision (c) or (d) results from a delinquency by a superior court under subdivision (b), the court shall reimburse the Trial Court Trust Fund for the amount of the penalty. Notwithstanding Section 77009, any penalty on a delinquent payment that a court is required to reimburse pursuant to this section shall be paid from the court operations fund for that court. The penalty shall be paid by the court to the Trial Court Trust Fund no later than 45 days after the end of the month in

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which the penalty was calculated. If the penalty is not paid within the specified time, the Administrative Office of the Courts may reduce the amount of a subsequent monthly allocation to the court by the amount of the penalty on the delinquent payment.

- (k) If a delinquent payment under subdivision (c) or (d) results from a delinquency by a county in transmitting fees and fines listed in subdivision (a) to the bank account established for this purpose, as described in subdivision (b), the county shall reimburse the Trial Court Trust Fund for the amount of the penalty. The penalty shall be paid by the county to the Trial Court Trust Fund no later than 45 days after the end of the month in which the penalty was calculated.
- SEC. 2. Section 68085.3 of the Government Code is amended to read:
 - 68085.3. (a) Fees collected under Sections 70611, 70612, 70650, 70651, 70652, 70653, 70655, 70658, and 70670 shall be deposited in a bank account established by the Administrative Office of the Courts for deposit of fees collected by the courts.
 - (b) For each three-hundred-fifty-dollar (\$350) fee listed in subdivision (a), the Administrative Office of the Courts shall distribute specified amounts in each county as follows:
 - (1) To the county law library fund, the amount described in Sections 6321 and 6322.1 of the Business and Professions Code.
 - (2) To the account to support dispute resolution programs, the amount described in Section 470.5 of the Business and Professions Code.
 - (c) The remainder of the fees in subdivision (a) shall be transmitted monthly to the Treasurer for deposit. For each three-hundred-fifty-dollar (\$350) fee listed in subdivision (a), the Controller shall make deposits as follows:
 - (1) To the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, as provided in Article 6 (commencing with Section 70371) of Chapter 5.7, thirty-five dollars (\$35).
 - (2) To the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5, thirty dollars (\$30), unless the fee is collected under Section 70658, in which case the amount distributed to that fund shall be one hundred seventy dollars (\$170).
- 39 (3) To the Judges' Retirement Fund, as established in Section 75100, two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50).

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(4) To the Trial Court Trust Fund for use as part of the Equal Access Fund program administered by the Judicial Council, four dollars and eighty cents (\$4.80).

- (5) To the Trial Court Trust Fund, as provided in Section 68085.1, the remainder of the fee.
 - (d) If any of the fees listed in subdivision (a) are reduced or partially waived, the amount of the reduction or partial waiver shall be deducted from the amount to be distributed to each fund or account in the same proportion as the amount of each distribution bears to the total amount of the fee.
- (e) As used in this section, "law library fund" includes a law library account described in Section 6320 of the Business and Professions Code.
- SEC. 2.5. Section 68085.3 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 68085.3. (a) Fees collected under Sections 70611, 70612, 70650, 70651, 70652, 70653, 70655, 70658, and 70670 shall be deposited in a bank account established by the Administrative Office of the Courts for deposit of fees collected by the courts.
- (b) For each three-hundred-fifty-five-dollar (\$355) fee listed in subdivision (a), the Administrative Office of the Courts shall distribute specified amounts in each county as follows:
- (1) To the county law library fund, the amount described in Sections 6321 and 6322.1 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (2) To the account to support dispute resolution programs, the amount described in Section 470.5 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (c) The remainder of the fees in subdivision (a) shall be transmitted monthly to the Treasurer for deposit. For each three-hundred-fifty-five-dollar (\$355) fee listed in subdivision (a), the Controller shall make deposits as follows:
- (1) To the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, as provided in Article 6 (commencing with Section 70371) of Chapter 5.7, thirty-five dollars (\$35).
- 35 (2) To the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5,
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- 38 in which case the amount distributed to that fund shall be one
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(3) To the Judges' Retirement Fund, as established in Section 75100, two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50).

- (4) To the Trial Court Trust Fund for use as part of the Equal Access Fund program administered by the Judicial Council, four dollars and eighty cents (\$4.80).
- (5) To the Trial Court Trust Fund, as provided in Section 68085.1, the remainder of the fee.
- (d) If any of the fees listed in subdivision (a) are reduced or partially waived, the amount of the reduction or partial waiver shall be deducted from the amount to be distributed to each fund or account in the same proportion as the amount of each distribution bears to the total amount of the fee.
- (e) As used in this section, "law library fund" includes a law library account described in Section 6320 of the Business and Professions Code.
- SEC. 3. Section 68085.4 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 68085.4. (a) Fees collected under Sections 70613, 70614, 70621, 70654, and 70656 of this code, Section 103470 of the Health and Safety Code, and Section 7660 of the Probate Code shall be deposited in a bank account established by the Administrative Office of the Courts for deposit of fees collected by the courts.
- (b) For each three-hundred-twenty-five-dollar (\$325) fee and each two-hundred-dollar (\$200) fee listed in subdivision (a), the Administrative Office of the Courts shall distribute specified amounts in each county as follows:
- (1) To the county law library fund, the amount described in Sections 6321 and 6322.1 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (2) To the account to support dispute resolution programs, the amount described in Section 470.5 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (c) The remainder of the fees in subdivision (a) shall be transmitted monthly to the Treasurer for deposit. For each three-hundred-twenty-five-dollar (\$325) fee and each two-hundred-dollar (\$200) fee listed in subdivision (a), the Controller shall make deposits as follows:
- 38 (1) To the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, as provided 39 in Article 6 (commencing with Section 70371) of Chapter 5.7, 40 twenty-five dollars (\$25) if the fee is three hundred twenty-five

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1 dollars (\$325), and twenty dollars (\$20) if the fee is two hundred 2 dollars (\$200).

- (2) To the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5, twenty-five dollars (\$25) if the fee is three hundred twenty-five dollars (\$325), and twenty dollars (\$20) if the fee is two hundred dollars (\$200), except as otherwise provided in Section 6322.1 of the Business and Professions Code.
 - (3) To the Judges' Retirement Fund, as established in Section 75100, two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50).
 - (4) To the Trial Court Trust Fund for use as part of the Equal Access Fund program administered by the Judicial Council, four dollars and eighty cents (\$4.80).
 - (5) To the Trial Court Trust Fund, as provided in Section 68085.1, the remainder of the fee.
 - (d) If any of the fees listed in subdivision (a) are reduced or partially waived, the amount of the reduction or partial waiver shall be deducted from the amount to be distributed to each fund or account in the same proportion as the amount of each distribution bears to the total amount of the fee.
 - (e) As used in this section, "law library fund" includes a law library account described in Section 6320 of the Business and Professions Code.
 - SEC. 3.5. Section 68085.4 of the Government Code is amended to read:
 - 68085.4. (a) Fees collected under Sections 70613, 70614, 70621, 70654, and 70656 of this code, Section 103470 of the Health and Safety Code, and Section 7660 of the Probate Code shall be deposited in a bank account established by the Administrative Office of the Courts for deposit of fees collected by the courts.
 - (b) For each three-hundred-thirty-dollar (\$330) fee and each two-hundred-five-dollar (\$205) fee listed in subdivision (a), the Administrative Office of the Courts shall distribute specified amounts in each county as follows:
 - (1) To the county law library fund, the amount described in Sections 6321 and 6322.1 of the Business and Professions Code.
 - (2) To the account to support dispute resolution programs, the amount described in Section 470.5 of the Business and Professions Code.

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(c) The remainder of the fees in subdivision (a) shall be transmitted monthly to the Treasurer for deposit. For each three-hundred-thirty-dollar (\$330) fee and each two-hundred-five-dollar (\$205) fee listed in subdivision (a), the Controller shall make deposits as follows:

- (1) To the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, as provided in Article 6 (commencing with Section 70371) of Chapter 5.7, twenty-five dollars (\$25) if the fee is three hundred thirty dollars (\$330), and twenty dollars (\$20) if the fee is two hundred five dollars (\$205).
- (2) To the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5, twenty-five dollars (\$25) if the fee is three hundred thirty dollars (\$330), and twenty dollars (\$20) if the fee is two hundred five dollars (\$205), except as otherwise provided in Section 6322.1 of the Business and Professions Code.
- (3) To the Judges' Retirement Fund, as established in Section 75100, two dollars and fifty cents (\$2.50).
- (4) To the Trial Court Trust Fund for use as part of the Equal Access Fund program administered by the Judicial Council, four dollars and eighty cents (\$4.80).
- (5) To the Trial Court Trust Fund, as provided in Section 68085.1, the remainder of the fee.
- (d) If any of the fees listed in subdivision (a) are reduced or partially waived, the amount of the reduction or partial waiver shall be deducted from the amount to be distributed to each fund or account in the same proportion as the amount of each distribution bears to the total amount of the fee.
- (e) As used in this section, "law library fund" includes a law library account described in Section 6320 of the Business and Professions Code.
- 32 SEC. 3.7. Section 68085.45 is added to the Government Code, to read:
- 34 68085.45. (a) There is hereby established the State Trial Court 35 Operations Trust Fund. Upon the retirement of any bonded 36 indebtedness that may be incurred in connection with immediate 37 and critical trial court projects, any moneys remaining in, or that 38 would otherwise be payable into, the Immediate and Critical Needs 39 Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, shall be

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transferred to the Controller for deposit into the State Trial CourtOperations Trust Fund.

- (b) The proceeds of the State Trial Court Operations Trust Fund shall be available, upon appropriation by the Legislature in the annual budget act, only for trial court operations as defined in Section 77003.
- 7 SEC. 4. Section 68086.1 of the Government Code is amended 8 to read:
 - 68086.1. (a) Commencing January 1, 2006, for each three-hundred-fifty-dollar (\$350) fee collected under Section 70611, 70612, or 70670, twenty-five dollars (\$25) of the amount distributed to the Trial Court Trust Fund shall be used for services of an official court reporter in civil proceedings.
 - (b) Commencing January 1, 2006, for each three-hundred-twenty-five-dollar (\$325) fee collected under subdivision (a) of Section 70613 or subdivision (a) of Section 70614, twenty-five dollars (\$25) of the amount distributed to the Trial Court Trust Fund shall be used for services of an official court reporter in civil proceedings.
 - (c) It is the intent of the Legislature, in approving the twenty-five-dollar (\$25) distribution out of each filing fee listed in subdivisions (a) and (b), to continue an incentive to courts to use the services of an official court reporter in civil proceedings. However, nothing in this section shall affect the Judicial Council's authority to allocate these revenues to replace reductions in the General Fund appropriation to the Trial Court Trust Fund.
 - (d) The portion of the distribution to the Trial Court Trust Fund to be used for services of an official court reporter in civil proceedings pursuant to subdivisions (a) and (b) shall be used only in trial courts that utilize the services of an official court reporter in civil proceedings.
- 32 SEC. 4.5. Section 68086.1 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 34 68086.1. (a) Commencing January 1, 2006, for each three-hundred-fifty-five-dollar (\$355) fee collected under Section 70611, 70612, or 70670, twenty-five dollars (\$25) of the amount distributed to the Trial Court Trust Fund shall be used for services of an official court reporter in civil proceedings.
- 39 (b) Commencing January 1, 2006, for each 40 three-hundred-thirty-dollar (\$330) fee collected under subdivision

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(a) of Section 70613 or subdivision (a) of Section 70614, 2 twenty-five dollars (\$25) of the amount distributed to the Trial 3 Court Trust Fund shall be used for services of an official court 4 reporter in civil proceedings.

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- (c) It is the intent of the Legislature, in approving the twenty-five-dollar (\$25) distribution out of each filing fee listed in subdivisions (a) and (b), to continue an incentive to courts to use the services of an official court reporter in civil proceedings. However, nothing in this section shall affect the Judicial Council's authority to allocate these revenues to replace reductions in the General Fund appropriation to the Trial Court Trust Fund.
- (d) The portion of the distribution to the Trial Court Trust Fund to be used for services of an official court reporter in civil proceedings pursuant to subdivisions (a) and (b) shall be used only in trial courts that utilize the services of an official court reporter in civil proceedings.
- SEC. 5. Section 70371.5 is added to the Government Code, to read:
- 70371.5. (a) There is hereby established the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, the proceeds of which shall only be used for any of the following:
- (1) The planning, design, construction, rehabilitation, renovation, replacement, or acquisition of court facilities.
- (2) Repayment for moneys appropriated for lease of court facilities pursuant to the issuance of lease-revenue bonds.
- (3) Payment for lease or rental of court facilities, including those made for facilities in which one or more private sector participants undertake some of the risks associated with the financing, design, construction, or operation of the facility.
- (b) Any moneys expended from the Immediate and Critical Needs Account are not subject to Section 77202.
- (c) It is the intent of the Legislature that the money in the 33 34 Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund shall be used in part to pay the debt service of 35 36 lease revenue bonds, notes, bond anticipation notes, or other 37 appropriate financial instruments used to pay for the costs referred 38 to in subdivision (a) in the amount of up to five billion dollars 39 (\$5,000,000,000). The total bonded indebtedness shall not exceed

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that amount for which fine and fee revenues may fully satisfy the debt service.

- (d) The Judicial Council shall collect and make available upon request information regarding the moneys deposited in the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund resulting from new and increased fees, assessments, and penalties authorized by the act that added this section.
- (e) (1) The Judicial Council shall make recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature for projects based on its determination that the need for a project is most immediate and critical using the then most recent version of the Prioritization Methodology for Trial Court Capital-Outlay Projects originally adopted on August 26, 2006.
- (2) The Legislature finds that there may not be enough resources to pay for the cost of the projects identified as immediate and critical needs by the Judicial Council pursuant to its Prioritization Methodology for Trial Court Capital-Outlay Projects originally adopted on August 26, 2006, even after considering any bonded indebtedness that may be issued relying at least in part on those resources. Therefore, in choosing which projects shall be recommended to the Governor and the Legislature for the selection of projects to be funded from the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Construction Fund, the Judicial Council shall consider and apply, as appropriate, the following factors, among others:
 - (A) Any economic opportunity that exists for a project.
- (B) The effect on available resources of using alternative methods of project delivery as provided by Section 70391.5.
- (3) Nothing in paragraph (2) shall authorize the Judicial Council to exceed the resources provided by the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Construction Fund, together with other available resources, in undertaking projects identified as immediate and critical needs.
- (4) As used in paragraph (2), "economic opportunity" includes, but is not limited to, free or reduced costs of land for new construction, viable financing partnerships with, or fund contributions by, other government entities or private parties that result in lower project delivery costs, cost savings resulting from adaptive reuse of existing facilities, operational efficiencies from

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consolidation of court calendars and operations, operational savings from sharing of facilities by more than one court, and building operational cost savings from consolidation of facilities.

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(5) The Judicial Council shall not consider and apply an economic opportunity in making a recommendation unless it is reasonably assured that the economic opportunity is viable and will be realized. If a project is selected for funding based on an economic opportunity that is withdrawn after the project is approved, the Judicial Council may cancel the project.

SEC. 5.5. Section 70371.6 is added to the Government Code, to read:

70371.6. The Judicial Council is authorized to acquire sites for the replacement of deficient court facilities within the Counties of Butte (New North County Courthouse), Los Angeles (New Southeast Los Angeles Courthouse), Tehama (New Red Bluff Courthouse), and Yolo (New Woodland Courthouse), as identified in the Immediate Needs Priority Group identified by the Judicial Branch Five-Year Infrastructure Plan, as adopted by the Judicial Council on April 25, 2008. The sum of up to sixty-one million five hundred eighty-four thousand dollars (\$61,584,000) is hereby appropriated from the State Court Facilities Construction Fund to the Judicial Council for the acquisition of property for the replacement of the courthouse facilities within the above counties. Of this amount, up to fourteen million four hundred seventy-five thousand dollars (\$14,475,000) shall be used to acquire property for the Butte County replacement facility, up to twenty-two million seven hundred twenty-six thousand dollars (\$22,726,000) shall be used to acquire property for the Los Angeles County replacement facility, up to sixteen million two hundred eighty-nine thousand dollars (\$16,289,000) shall be used to acquire property for the Tehama County replacement facility, and up to eight million ninety-four thousand dollars (\$8,094,000) shall be used to acquire property for the Yolo County replacement facility.

SEC. 6. Section 70372 of the Government Code is amended to read:

70372. (a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in subdivision (b) of Section 70375 and in this article, there shall be levied a state court construction penalty, in the amount of five dollars (\$5) for every ten dollars (\$10), or part of ten dollars (\$10), upon every fine, penalty, or forfeiture imposed and collected by the courts for

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all criminal offenses, including, but not limited to, all offenses involving a violation of a section of the Fish and Game Code, the Health and Safety Code, or the Vehicle Code or any local ordinance adopted pursuant to the Vehicle Code. This penalty is in addition to any other state or local penalty, including, but not limited to, the penalty provided by Section 1464 of the Penal Code and Section 76000.

- (2) The amount of the court construction penalty may be reduced by a county as provided in subdivision (b) of Section 70375.
 - (3) This construction penalty does not apply to the following:
 - (A) Any restitution fine.

- (B) Any penalty authorized by Section 1464 of the Penal Code or Chapter 12 (commencing with Section 76000) of Title 8.
- (C) Any parking offense subject to Article 3 (commencing with Section 40200) of Chapter 1 of Division 17 of the Vehicle Code.
- (D) The state surcharge authorized by Section 1465.7 of the Penal Code.
- (4) Any bail schedule adopted pursuant to Section 1269b of the Penal Code or adopted by the Judicial Council pursuant to Section 40310 of the Vehicle Code may include the necessary amount to pay the penalty established by this section, the penalties authorized by Section 1464 of the Penal Code and Chapter 12 (commencing with Section 76000) of Title 8, and the surcharge authorized by Section 1465.7 of the Penal Code for all matters where a personal appearance is not mandatory and the bail is posted primarily to guarantee payment of the fine. After a determination by the court of the amount due, the clerk of the court shall collect the penalty and transmit it immediately to the county treasury and the county treasurer shall transmit these sums as provided in subdivision (f).
- (b) In addition to the penalty provided by subdivision (a), for every parking offense where a parking penalty, fine, or forfeiture is imposed, an added state court construction penalty of four dollars and fifty cents (\$4.50) shall be included in the total penalty, fine, or forfeiture. These moneys shall be taken from fines and forfeitures deposited with the county treasurer prior to any division pursuant to Section 1462.3 or 1463.009 of the Penal Code. In those cities, districts, or other issuing agencies which elect to accept parking penalties, and otherwise process parking violations pursuant to Article 3 (commencing with Section 40200) of Chapter 1 of Division 17 of the Vehicle Code, that city, district, or issuing

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agency shall observe the increased bail amounts as established by the court reflecting the added penalty provided for by this subdivision. Each agency that elects to process parking violations shall pay to the county treasurer four dollars and fifty cents (\$4.50) for the parking penalty imposed by this subdivision for each violation that is not filed in court. Those payments to the county treasurer shall be made monthly, and the county treasurer shall transmit these sums as provided in paragraph (2) of subdivision (f).

- (c) If multiple offenses are involved, the state court construction penalty under subdivision (a) shall be based upon the total fine or bail for each case. If a fine is suspended, in whole or in part, the state court construction penalty under subdivision (a) shall be reduced in proportion to the suspension.
- (d) If any deposited bail is made for an offense to which this section applies, and for which a court appearance is not mandatory, the person making the deposit shall also deposit a sufficient amount to include the state court construction penalty prescribed by subdivision (a) for forfeited bail. If bail is returned, the state court construction penalty paid thereon pursuant to subdivision (a) shall also be returned.
- (e) In any case where a person convicted of any offense, to which this section applies, is in prison until the fine is satisfied, the judge may waive all or any part of the state court construction penalty, the payment of which would work a hardship on the person convicted or his or her immediate family.
- (f) (1) Within 45 days after the end of the month that moneys are deposited in the county treasury pursuant to subdivision (a), the county treasurer shall transmit the moneys to the Controller, to be deposited as follows:
- (A) The total to be deposited pursuant to subdivision (a) shall be multiplied by a fraction as follows:
- (i) The numerator is the amount imposed as an additional penalty on every ten dollars (\$10), or part of ten dollars (\$10), upon every fine, penalty, or forfeiture, if any, for deposit into the local courthouse construction fund in that county established pursuant to Sections 76000 and 76100. The numerator shall be expressed in whole dollars and fractions of a dollar.
 - (ii) The denominator is five dollars (\$5).

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(B) The resulting amount shall be deposited in the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5.

- (C) The remaining amount of the deposit shall be deposited in the State Court Facilities Construction Fund.
- (2) Within 45 days after the end of the month that moneys are deposited in the county treasury pursuant to subdivision (b), the county treasurer shall transmit the moneys to the Controller to be deposited as follows: one-third of the total amount shall be deposited in the State Court Facilities Construction Fund and two-thirds of the total amount shall be deposited in the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5.
- SEC. 6.5. Section 70373 is added to the Government Code, to read:
- 70373. (a) (1) To ensure and maintain adequate funding for court facilities, an assessment shall be imposed on every conviction for a criminal offense, including a traffic offense, except parking offenses as defined in subdivision (i) of Section 1463 of the Penal Code, involving a violation of a section of the Vehicle Code or any local ordinance adopted pursuant to the Vehicle Code. The assessment shall be imposed in the amount of thirty dollars (\$30) for each misdemeanor or felony and in the amount of thirty-five dollars (\$35) for each infraction.
- (2) For the purposes of this section, "conviction" includes the dismissal of a traffic violation on the condition that the defendant attend a court-ordered traffic violator school, as authorized by Sections 41501 and 42005 of the Vehicle Code. This assessment shall be deposited in accordance with subdivision (d), and may not be included with the fee calculated and distributed pursuant to Section 42007 of the Vehicle Code.
- (b) This assessment shall be in addition to the state penalty assessed pursuant to Section 1464 of the Penal Code and may not be included in the base fine to calculate the state penalty assessment as specified in subdivision (a) of Section 1464 of the Penal Code. The penalties authorized by Chapter 12 (commencing with Section 76000), and the state surcharge authorized by Section 1465.7 of the Penal Code, do not apply to this assessment.
- 39 (c) When bail is deposited for an offense to which this section 40 applies, and for which a court appearance is not necessary, the

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- (d) Notwithstanding any other law, the assessments collected pursuant to subdivision (a) shall all be deposited in a special account in the county treasury and transmitted therefrom monthly to the Controller for deposit in the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5.
- (e) The Judicial Council shall provide for the administration of 10 this section.
 - SEC. 7. Section 70374 of the Government Code, as amended by Section 5 of Chapter 9 of the Statutes of 2008, is amended to
 - 70374. (a) The Judicial Council shall annually recommend to the Governor and the Legislature the amount proposed to be spent for projects paid for with money in the State Court Facilities Construction Fund. The use of the appropriated money is subject to subdivision (l) of Section 70391.
 - (b) Acquisition and construction of court facilities shall be subject to the State Building Construction Act of 1955 (commencing with Section 15800) and the Property Acquisition Law (commencing with Section 15850), except that, (1) notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Administrative Office of the Courts shall serve as an implementing agency upon approval of the Department of Finance, and (2) the provisions of subdivision (e) shall prevail. Acquisition and construction of facilities are not subject to the provisions of the Public Contract Code, but shall be subject to facilities contracting policies and procedures adopted by the Judicial Council after consultation and review by the Department of Finance.
 - (c) Money in the State Court Facilities Construction Fund shall only be used for either of the following:
 - (1) The planning, design, construction, rehabilitation, renovation, replacement, leasing, or acquisition of court facilities, as defined by subdivision (d) of Section 70301.
 - (2) The rehabilitation of one or more existing court facilities in conjunction with the construction, acquisition, or financing of one or more new court facilities.
- 39 (d) (1) Except as provided in Section 70374.2 and paragraph 40 (2) of this subdivision, 25 percent of all money collected for the

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1 State Court Facilities Construction Fund from any county shall be

- 2 designated for implementation of trial court projects in that county.
- 3 The Judicial Council shall determine the local projects after
- 4 consulting with the trial court in that county and based on the 5 locally approved trial court facilities master plan for that county.
 - (2) Paragraph (1) shall not apply to money that has been deposited in the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5.
 - (e) The following provisions shall prevail over provisions of the State Building Construction Act of 1955 (Part 10b (commencing with Section 15800) of Division 3 of Title 2) in regard to buildings subject to this section.
 - (1) The Administrative Office of the Courts shall be responsible for the operation, including, but not limited to, the maintenance and repair, of all court facilities whose title is held by the state. Notwithstanding Section 15807, the operation of buildings under this section shall be the responsibility of the Judicial Council.
 - (2) Notwithstanding Section 15808.1, the Judicial Council shall have the responsibility for determining whether a building under this act shall be located within or outside of an existing public transit corridor.
 - (3) The buildings under this section are subject to Section 15814.12 concerning cogeneration and alternative energy sources at the request of, or with the consent of, the Judicial Council. Any building acquired by the state pursuant to this section on or before July 1, 2007, is not subject to subdivision (b) of Section 15814.12 concerning acquiring of cogeneration or alternative energy equipment if the building, when acquired, already had cogeneration or alternative energy equipment. Section 15814.17 only applies to buildings to which the Judicial Council has given its consent under subdivision (a) of Section 15814.12.
 - SEC. 8. Section 70375 of the Government Code is amended to read:
 - 70375. (a) This article shall take effect on January 1, 2003, and the fund, penalty, and fee assessment established by this article shall become operative on January 1, 2003, except as otherwise provided in this article.
 - (b) In each county, the five-dollar (\$5) penalty amount authorized by subdivision (a) of Section 70372 shall be reduced by the amount collected for transmission to the state for inclusion

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in the Transitional State Court Facilities Construction Fund established pursuant to Section 70401 to the extent it is funded by money from the local courthouse construction fund.

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- (c) The authority for all of the following shall expire proportionally on the June 30th following the date of transfer of responsibility for facilities from the county to the Judicial Council, except so long as money is needed to pay for construction provided for in those sections and undertaken prior to the transfer of responsibility for facilities from the county to the Judicial Council:
- (1) An additional penalty for a local courthouse construction fund established pursuant to Section 76100.
- (2) A filing fee surcharge in the County of Riverside established pursuant to Section 70622.
- (3) A filing fee surcharge in the County of San Bernardino established pursuant to Section 70624.
- (4) A filing fee surcharge in the City and County of San Francisco established pursuant to Section 70625.
- (d) For purposes of subdivision (c), the term "proportionally" means that proportion of the fee or surcharge that shall expire upon the transfer of responsibility for a facility that is the same proportion as the square footage that facility bears to the total square footage of court facilities in that county.
- SEC. 9. Section 70391 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70391. The Judicial Council, as the policymaking body for the judicial branch, shall have the following responsibilities and authorities with regard to court facilities, in addition to any other responsibilities or authorities established by law:
- (a) Exercise full responsibility, jurisdiction, control, and authority as an owner would have over trial court facilities whose title is held by the state, including, but not limited to, the acquisition and development of facilities.
- (b) Exercise the full range of policymaking authority over trial court facilities, including, but not limited to, planning, construction, acquisition, and operation, to the extent not expressly otherwise limited by law.
- (c) Dispose of surplus court facilities following the transfer of responsibility under Article 3 (commencing with Section 70321), subject to all of the following:

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(1) If the property was a court facility previously the responsibility of the county, the Judicial Council shall comply with the requirements of Section 11011, and as follows, except that, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the proportion of the net proceeds that represents the proportion of other state funds used on the property other than for operation and maintenance shall be returned to the fund from which it came and the remainder of the proceeds shall be deposited in the State Court Facilities Construction Fund.

- (2) The Judicial Council shall consult with the county concerning the disposition of the facility. Notwithstanding any other law, including Section 11011, when requested by the transferring county, a surplus facility shall be offered to that county at fair market value prior to being offered to any other state agency or other local government agency.
- (3) The Judicial Council shall consider whether the potential new or planned use of the facility:
 - (A) Is compatible with the use of other adjacent public buildings.
- (B) Unreasonably departs from the historic or local character of the surrounding property or local community.
 - (C) Has a negative impact on the local community.
- (D) Unreasonably interferes with other governmental agencies that use or are located in or adjacent to the building containing the court facility.
- (E) Is of sufficient benefit to outweigh the public good in maintaining it as a court facility or building.
- (4) All funds received for disposal of surplus court facilities shall be deposited by the Judicial Council in the State Court Facilities Construction Fund.
- (5) If the facility was acquired, rehabilitated, or constructed, in whole or in part, with money in the State Court Facilities Construction Fund that was deposited in that fund from the state fund, any funds received for disposal of that facility shall be apportioned to the state fund and the State Court Facilities Construction Fund in the same proportion that the original cost of the building was paid from the state fund and other sources of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund.
- 38 (6) Submission of a plan to the Legislature for the disposition 39 of court facilities transferred to the state, prior to, or as part of, any

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budget submission to fund a new courthouse that will replace the
 existing court facilities transferred to the state.

(d) Conduct audits of all of the following:

- (1) The collection of fees by the local courts.
- (2) The money in local courthouse construction funds established pursuant to Section 76100.
- (3) The collection of moneys to be transmitted to the Controller for deposit in the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5.
- (e) Establish policies, procedures, and guidelines for ensuring that the courts have adequate and sufficient facilities, including, but not limited to, facilities planning, acquisition, construction, design, operation, and maintenance.
- (f) Establish and consult with local project advisory groups on the construction of new trial court facilities, including the trial court, the county, the local sheriff, state agencies, bar groups, including, but not limited to, the criminal defense bar, and members of the community. Consultation with the local sheriff in design, planning, and construction shall include the physical layout of new facilities, as it relates to court security and other security considerations, including matters relating to the safe control and transport of in-custody defendants.
 - (g) Manage court facilities in consultation with the trial courts.
- (h) Allocate appropriated funds for court facilities maintenance and construction, subject to the other provisions of this chapter.
- (i) Manage shared-use facilities to the extent required by the agreement under Section 70343.
- (j) Prepare funding requests for court facility construction, repair, and maintenance.
- (k) Implement the design, bid, award, and construction of all court construction projects, except as delegated to others.
- (*l*) Provide for capital outlay projects that may be built with funds appropriated or otherwise available for these purposes as follows:
 - (1) Approve five-year and master plans for each district.
- (2) Establish priorities for construction.
- (3) Recommend to the Governor and the Legislature the projects to be funded by the State Court Facilities Construction Fund.

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1 (4) Submit the cost of projects proposed to be funded to the 2 Department of Finance for inclusion in the Governor's Budget.

- (m) In carrying out its responsibilities and authority under this section, the Judicial Council shall consult with the local court for:
 - (1) Selecting and contracting with facility consultants.
- (2) Preparing and reviewing architectural programs and designs for court facilities.
- (3) Preparing strategic master and five-year capital facilities plans.
 - (4) Major maintenance of any facility.
- SEC. 9.3. Section 70602 is added to the Government Code, to read:
- 70602. It is the intent of the Legislature to establish a moratorium on increases in filing fees until January 1, 2012. No fee provided for in this chapter may be changed before January 1, 2012.
- SEC. 9.5. Section 70603 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70603. (a) Except as provided in this section, the fees charged for filings and services under this chapter are intended to be uniform statewide and to be the only allowable fees for those services and filings. The only charges that may be added to the fees in this chapter are the following:
- (1) In a complex case, the fee provided for in Section 70616 may be added to the first paper and first responsive paper filing fees in Sections 70611, 70612, 70613, and 70614.
- (2) In an unlawful detainer action subject to Section 1161.2 of the Code of Civil Procedure, a charge of fifteen dollars (\$15) as provided under that section may be added to the fee in Section 70613 for filing a first appearance by a plaintiff.
- (3) In Riverside County, a surcharge as provided in Section 70622 may be added to the first paper and first responsive paper filing fees in Sections 70611, 70612, 70613, 70614, 70650, 70651, 70652, 70653, 70655, and 70670.
- (4) In San Bernardino County, a surcharge as provided in Section 70624 may be added to the first paper and first responsive paper filing fees in Sections 70611, 70612, 70613, 70614, 70650,
- 38 70651, 70652, 70653, 70655, and 70670. This paragraph applies to fees collected under Sections 70611, 70612, 70613, 70614,

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1 70650, 70651, 70652, 70653, 70655, and 70670, beginning January 2 1, 2006.

- (5) In the City and County of San Francisco, a surcharge as provided in Section 70625 may be added to the first paper and first responsive paper filing fees in Sections 70611, 70612, 70613, 70614, 70650, 70651, 70652, 70653, 70655, and 70670.
- (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (1) of subdivision (c) of Section 68085.3 and paragraph (1) of subdivision (c) of Section 68085.4, when a charge for courthouse construction in the County or City and County of San Francisco, Riverside, or San Bernardino is added to the uniform filing fee as provided under paragraph (3), (4), or (5) of subdivision (a), the amount distributed to the State Court Facilities Construction Fund under Section 68085.3 or 68085.4 shall be reduced by an amount equal to the charge added under paragraph (3), (4), or (5) of subdivision (a), up to the amount that would otherwise be distributed to the State Court Facilities Construction Fund. If the amount added under paragraph (3), (4), or (5) of subdivision (a) is greater than the amount that would be distributed to the State Court Facilities Construction Fund under Section 68085.3 or 68085.4, no distribution shall be made to the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, but the amount charged to the party may be greater than the amount of the uniform fee otherwise allowed, in order to collect the surcharge under paragraph (3), (4), or (5) of subdivision (a).
 - (c) If a filing fee is reduced by twenty-four dollars (\$24) under subdivision (c) of Section 6322.1 of the Business and Professions Code, and a courthouse construction surcharge is added to the filing fee as provided under paragraph (3), (4), or (5) of subdivision (a), the amount distributed to the State Court Facilities Construction Fund under Section 68085.4 shall be reduced as provided in subdivision (b). If the amount added under paragraph (3), (4), or (5) of subdivision (a) is greater than the amount that would be distributed to the State Court Facilities Construction Fund under Section 68085.4, no distribution shall be made to the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, but the amount charged to the party may be greater than one hundred seventy-six dollars (\$176), in order to collect the surcharge under paragraph (3), (4), or (5) of subdivision (a).
- 39 SEC. 10. Section 70611 of the Government Code is amended 40 to read:

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70611. The uniform fee for filing the first paper in a civil action or proceeding in the superior court, other than in a limited civil case, an adoption proceeding, a proceeding under the Probate Code, or a proceeding under the Family Code, is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350). The fee shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.

This section applies to the initial complaint, petition, or application, and the papers transmitted from another court on the transfer of a civil action or proceeding, but does not include documents filed pursuant to Section 491.150, 704.750, or 708.160 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

SEC. 10.5. Section 70611 of the Government Code is amended to read:

70611. The uniform fee for filing the first paper in a civil action or proceeding in the superior court, other than in a limited civil case, an adoption proceeding, a proceeding under the Probate Code, or a proceeding under the Family Code, is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355). The fee shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.

This section applies to the initial complaint, petition, or application, and the papers transmitted from another court on the transfer of a civil action or proceeding, but does not include documents filed pursuant to Section 491.150, 704.750, or 708.160 of the Code of Civil Procedure.

SEC. 11. Section 70612 of the Government Code is amended to read:

- 70612. (a) The uniform fee for filing the first paper in the action or proceeding described in Section 70611 on behalf of any defendant, intervenor, respondent, or adverse party, whether separately or jointly, except for the purpose of making disclaimer, is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350). The fee shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.
- (b) As used in this section, the term "paper" does not include a stipulation for the appointment of a temporary judge or of a court investigator, or the report made by the court investigator.
- 36 SEC. 11.5. Section 70612 of the Government Code is amended 37 to read:
- 38 70612. (a) The uniform fee for filing the first paper in the 39 action or proceeding described in Section 70611 on behalf of any 40 defendant, intervenor, respondent, or adverse party, whether

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separately or jointly, except for the purpose of making disclaimer, is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355). The fee shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.

- (b) As used in this section, the term "paper" does not include a stipulation for the appointment of a temporary judge or of a court investigator, or the report made by the court investigator.
- SEC. 12. Section 70613 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70613. (a) The uniform fee for filing the first paper in a limited civil case is three hundred twenty-five dollars (\$325), except as provided in subdivision (b).
- (b) In a case where the amount demanded, excluding attorney's fees and costs, is ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or less, the uniform fee for filing the first paper is two hundred dollars (\$200). The first paper of the first paper shall state whether the amount demanded exceeds or does not exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000).
- (c) This section applies to the initial complaint, petition, or application, and any papers transmitted from another court on the transfer of a civil action or proceeding, but does not include documents filed pursuant to Section 491.150, 704.750, or 708.160 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
- (d) The fee for a paper filed under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.4.
- (e) The fee shall be waived in any action for damages against a defendant, based upon the defendant's commission of a felony offense, upon presentation to the clerk of the court of a certified copy of the abstract of judgment of conviction of the defendant of the felony giving rise to the claim for damages. If the plaintiff would have been entitled to recover those fees from the defendant had they been paid, the court may assess the amount of the waived fees against the defendant and order the defendant to pay that sum to the court.
- SEC. 12.5. Section 70613 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70613. (a) The uniform fee for filing the first paper in a limited civil case is three hundred thirty dollars (\$330), except as provided in subdivision (b).
- 39 (b) In a case where the amount demanded, excluding attorney's 40 fees and costs, is ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or less, the uniform

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1 fee for filing the first paper is two hundred five dollars (\$205).

- 2 The first page of the first paper shall state whether the amount
- 3 demanded exceeds or does not exceed ten thousand dollars 4 (\$10,000).
 - (c) This section applies to the initial complaint, petition, or application, and any papers transmitted from another court on the transfer of a civil action or proceeding, but does not include documents filed pursuant to Section 491.150, 704.750, or 708.160 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
 - (d) The fee for a paper filed under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.4.
 - (e) The fee shall be waived in any action for damages against a defendant, based upon the defendant's commission of a felony offense, upon presentation to the clerk of the court of a certified copy of the abstract of judgment of conviction of the defendant of the felony giving rise to the claim for damages. If the plaintiff would have been entitled to recover those fees from the defendant had they been paid, the court may assess the amount of the waived fees against the defendant and order the defendant to pay that sum to the court.
 - SEC. 13. Section 70614 of the Government Code is amended to read:
 - 70614. (a) The uniform fee for filing the first paper in a limited civil case on behalf of any party other than a plaintiff is three hundred twenty-five dollars (\$325), except as provided in subdivision (b).
 - (b) In a case where the amount demanded, excluding attorney's fees and costs, is ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or less, the uniform fee for filing the first paper is two hundred dollars (\$200).
 - (c) The fees in this section do not apply to papers filed for the purpose of making disclaimer.
 - (d) The fee for a paper filed under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.4.
- 34 SEC. 13.3. Section 70614 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70614. (a) The uniform fee for filing the first paper in a limited civil case on behalf of any party other than a plaintiff is three hundred thirty dollars (\$330), except as provided in subdivision (b).

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(b) In a case where the amount demanded, excluding attorney's fees and costs, is ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or less, the uniform fee for filing the first paper is two hundred five dollars (\$205).

- (c) The fees in this section do not apply to papers filed for the purpose of making disclaimer.
- (d) The fee for a paper filed under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.4.
- SEC. 13.5. Section 70617 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70617. (a) Except as provided in subdivisions (d) and (e), the uniform fee for filing a motion, application, or any other paper requiring a hearing subsequent to the first paper, is forty dollars (\$40). Papers for which this fee shall be charged include the following:
- (1) A motion listed in paragraphs (1) to (12), inclusive, of subdivision (a) of Section 1005 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
 - (2) A motion or application to continue a trial date.
- (3) An application for examination of a third person controlling defendant's property under Section 491.110 or 491.150 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
- (4) Discovery motions under Title 4 (commencing with Section 2016.010) of Part 4 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
- (5) A motion for a new trial of any civil action or special proceeding.
- (6) An application for an order for a judgment debtor examination under Section 708.110 or 708.160 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
- (7) An application for an order of sale of a dwelling under Section 704.750 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
- (8) An ex parte application that requires a party to give notice of the ex parte appearance to other parties.
- (b) There shall be no fee under subdivision (a) or (c) for filing any of the following:
- (1) A motion, application, demurrer, request, notice, or stipulation and order that is the first paper filed in an action and on which a first paper filing fee is paid.
- (2) An amended notice of motion.
- (3) A civil case management statement.
- 39 (4) A request for trial de novo after judicial arbitration.
- 40 (5) A stipulation that does not require an order.

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(6) A request for an order to prevent civil harassment.

- 2 (7) A request for an order to prevent domestic violence.
- 3 (8) A request for entry of default or default judgment.
 - (9) A paper requiring a hearing on a petition for emancipation of a minor.
 - (10) A paper requiring a hearing on a petition for an order to prevent abuse of an elder or dependent adult.
 - (11) A paper requiring a hearing on a petition for a writ of review, mandate, or prohibition.
 - (12) A paper requiring a hearing on a petition for a decree of change of name or gender.
 - (13) A paper requiring a hearing on a petition to approve the compromise of a claim of a minor.
 - (c) The fee for filing the following papers not requiring a hearing is twenty dollars (\$20):
 - (1) A request, application, or motion for, or a notice of, the continuance of a hearing or case management conference. The fee shall be charged no more than once for each continuance. The fee shall not be charged if the continuance is required by the court.
 - (2) A stipulation and order.
 - (3) A request for an order authorizing service of summons by posting or by publication under Section 415.45 or 415.50 of the Code of Civil Procedure.
 - (d) The fee for filing a motion for summary judgment or summary adjudication of issues is two hundred dollars (\$200).
 - (e) The fee for filing in the superior court an application to appear as counsel pro hac vice is two hundred fifty dollars (\$250). This fee is in addition to any other fee required of the applicant. The entire fee collected under this subdivision shall be transmitted to the state for deposit into the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5.
 - (f) Regardless of whether each motion or matter is heard at a single hearing or at separate hearings, the filing fees required by subdivisions (a), (c), (d), and (e) apply separately to each motion or other paper filed. The Judicial Council may publish rules to give uniform guidance to courts in applying fees under this section.
 - SEC. 14. Section 70621 of the Government Code is amended to read:

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70621. (a) (1) The fee for filing a notice of appeal to the appellate division of the superior court in a limited civil case is three hundred twenty-five dollars (\$325), except as provided in subdivision (b).

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- (2) The fee for filing a petition for a writ within the original jurisdiction of the appellate division of the superior court is three hundred twenty-five dollars (\$325), except as provided in subdivision (b).
- (b) If the amount demanded in the limited civil case, excluding attorney's fees and costs, is ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or less, the fee for filing a petition for a writ or a notice of appeal to the appellate division of the superior court is two hundred dollars (\$200).
- (c) The fees provided for in this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.4.
- (d) The Judicial Council may make rules governing the time and method of payment of the fees in this section and providing for excuse.
- SEC. 14.5. Section 70621 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70621. (a) (1) The fee for filing a notice of appeal to the appellate division of the superior court in a limited civil case is three hundred thirty dollars (\$330), except as provided in subdivision (b).
- (2) The fee for filing a petition for a writ within the original jurisdiction of the appellate division of the superior court is three hundred thirty dollars (\$330), except as provided in subdivision (b).
- (b) If the amount demanded in the limited civil case, excluding attorney's fees and costs, is ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or less, the fee for filing a petition for a writ or a notice of appeal to the appellate division of the superior court is two hundred five dollars (\$205).
- (c) The fees provided for in this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.4.
- (d) The Judicial Council may make rules governing the time and method of payment of the fees in this section and providing for excuse.
- 39 SEC. 15. Section 70650 of the Government Code is amended 40 to read:

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70650. (a) The uniform filing fee for the first petition for letters of administration or letters testamentary, or the first petition for special letters of administration with the powers of a general personal representative pursuant to Section 8545 of the Probate Code, is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).

- (b) The uniform filing fee for the first objections to the probate of any will or codicil under Section 8250 of the Probate Code, or the first petition for revocation of probate of any will or codicil under Section 8270 of the Probate Code, is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350). The uniform filing fee for the first petition for special letters of administration without the powers of a general personal representative is the fee provided in Section 70657.5. Where objections to the probate of a will or codicil or a petition for revocation of probate of a will or codicil are filed together with a petition for appointment of a personal representative described in subdivision (c) filed by the same person, only the fee provided in subdivision (c) shall be charged to that person.
- (c) A fee of three hundred fifty dollars (\$350) shall also be charged for filing each subsequent petition or objections of a type described in subdivision (a) in the same proceeding by a person other than the original petitioner or contestant. The same fee as provided in subdivision (b) shall be charged for filing each subsequent petition or objections of a type described in that subdivision in the same proceeding by a person other than the original petitioner or contestant.
- (d) Notwithstanding Section 70658.5, if a petition for special letters of administration is filed together with a petition for letters of administration or letters testamentary under subdivision (a) or (c) by the same person, the person filing the petitions shall be charged the applicable filing fees for both petitions.
- (e) The uniform filing fee charged under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.
- SEC. 15.5. Section 70650 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70650. (a) The uniform filing fee for the first petition for letters of administration or letters testamentary, or the first petition for special letters of administration with the powers of a general personal representative pursuant to Section 8545 of the Probate Code, is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355).

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(b) The uniform filing fee for the first objections to the probate of any will or codicil under Section 8250 of the Probate Code, or the first petition for revocation of probate of any will or codicil under Section 8270 of the Probate Code, is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355). The uniform filing fee for the first petition for special letters of administration without the powers of a general personal representative is the fee provided in Section 70657.5. Where objections to the probate of a will or codicil or a petition for revocation of probate of a will or codicil are filed together with a petition for appointment of a personal representative described in subdivision (c) filed by the same person, only the fee provided in subdivision (c) shall be charged to that person.

- (c) A fee of three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355) shall also be charged for filing each subsequent petition or objections of a type described in subdivision (a) in the same proceeding by a person other than the original petitioner or contestant. The same fee as provided in subdivision (b) shall be charged for filing each subsequent petition or objections of a type described in that subdivision in the same proceeding by a person other than the original petitioner or contestant.
- (d) Notwithstanding Section 70658.5, if a petition for special letters of administration is filed together with a petition for letters of administration or letters testamentary under subdivision (a) or (c) by the same person, the person filing the petitions shall be charged the applicable filing fees for both petitions.
- (e) The uniform filing fee charged under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.
- SEC. 16. Section 70651 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70651. (a) The uniform filing fee for objections or any other paper in opposition to a petition described in subdivision (a) of Section 70650, other than a petition described in subdivision (c) of Section 70650, is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350). If objections or any other paper in opposition are filed together with a petition described in subdivision (c) of Section 70650 by the same person, only the fee provided in subdivision (c) of Section 70650 shall be charged to that person.
- (b) The uniform filing fee charged under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.

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SEC. 16.5. Section 70651 of the Government Code is amended to read:

- 70651. (a) The uniform filing fee for objections or any other paper in opposition to a petition described in subdivision (a) of Section 70650, other than a petition described in subdivision (c) of Section 70650, is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355). If objections or any other paper in opposition are filed together with a petition described in subdivision (c) of Section 70650 by the same person, only the fee provided in subdivision (c) of Section 70650 shall be charged to that person.
 - (b) The uniform filing fee charged under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.
 - SEC. 17. Section 70652 of the Government Code is amended to read:
 - 70652. (a) The uniform filing fee for each petition concerning the internal affairs of a trust under Chapter 3 (commencing with Section 17200) of Part 5 of Division 9 of the Probate Code, or a first account of a trustee of a testamentary trust that is subject to the continuing jurisdiction of the court pursuant to Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 17300) of Part 5 of Division 9 of the Probate Code, is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).
 - (b) The uniform filing fee for each paper filed in opposition to a petition or first account of a trustee of a testamentary trust under subdivision (a) is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).
 - (c) To avoid hardship, or for other good cause, the court may direct the clerk of the court to refund all or any part of a filing fee paid under this section.
 - (d) This section does not apply to petitions or opposition filed concerning trusts created by court order under Article 10 (commencing with Section 2580) of Chapter 6 of Part 3 of Division 4 of the Probate Code, Article 1 (commencing with Section 3100) of Chapter 3 of Part 6 of Division 4 of the Probate Code, Article 1 (commencing with Section 3600) of Chapter 4 of Part 8 of Division 4 of the Probate Code.
- 35 (e) The uniform filing fee charged under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.
- 37 SEC. 17.5. Section 70652 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70652. (a) The uniform filing fee for each petition concerning the internal affairs of a trust under Chapter 3 (commencing with

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1 Section 17200) of Part 5 of Division 9 of the Probate Code, or a 2 first account of a trustee of a testamentary trust that is subject to 3 the continuing jurisdiction of the court pursuant to Chapter 4 4 (commencing with Section 17300) of Part 5 of Division 9 of the 5 Probate Code, is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355).

- (b) The uniform filing fee for each paper filed in opposition to a petition or first account of a trustee of a testamentary trust under subdivision (a) is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355).
- (c) To avoid hardship, or for other good cause, the court may direct the clerk of the court to refund all or any part of a filing fee paid under this section.
- (d) This section does not apply to petitions or opposition filed concerning trusts created by court order under Article 10 (commencing with Section 2580) of Chapter 6 of Part 3 of Division 4 of the Probate Code, Article 1 (commencing with Section 3100) of Chapter 3 of Part 6 of Division 4 of the Probate Code, Article 1 (commencing with Section 3600) of Chapter 4 of Part 8 of Division 4 of the Probate Code.
- (e) The uniform filing fee charged under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.
- SEC. 18. Section 70653 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70653. (a) The uniform filing fee for a petition for appointment of a conservator, a guardian of the estate, or a guardian of the person and estate, pursuant to Division 4 (commencing with Section 1400) of the Probate Code, is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).
- (b) Except as provided in subdivision (f), the uniform filing fee for objections or any other paper in opposition to a petition under subdivision (a) or (d) is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).
- (c) If a competing petition for appointment of a guardian or conservator subject to the fee under subdivision (a) is filed together with opposition to the petition of another by the same person, the person filing the competing petition and opposition shall be charged a filing fee only for the competing petition.
- (d) Notwithstanding Section 70658.5, if a petition for appointment of a temporary guardian or conservator is filed together with a petition for appointment of a guardian or conservator under subdivision (a), or a competing petition under

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 subdivision (c) by the same person, the person filing the petitions shall be charged the applicable filing fees for both petitions.

- (e) The uniform filing fee charged under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.
- (f) No fee under this section shall be charged for objections or any other paper in opposition filed by or on behalf of the proposed conservatee, or the minor or a parent of the minor who is the subject of a guardianship proceeding.
- SEC. 18.5. Section 70653 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70653. (a) The uniform filing fee for a petition for appointment of a conservator, a guardian of the estate, or a guardian of the person and estate, pursuant to Division 4 (commencing with Section 1400) of the Probate Code, is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355).
- (b) Except as provided in subdivision (f), the uniform filing fee for objections or any other paper in opposition to a petition under subdivision (a) or (d) is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355).
- (c) If a competing petition for appointment of a guardian or conservator subject to the fee under subdivision (a) is filed together with opposition to the petition of another by the same person, the person filing the competing petition and opposition shall be charged a filing fee only for the competing petition.
- (d) Notwithstanding Section 70658.5, if a petition for appointment of a temporary guardian or conservator is filed together with a petition for appointment of a guardian or conservator under subdivision (a), or a competing petition under subdivision (c) by the same person, the person filing the petitions shall be charged the applicable filing fees for both petitions.
- (e) The uniform filing fee charged under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.
- (f) No fee under this section shall be charged for objections or any other paper in opposition filed by or on behalf of the proposed conservatee, or the minor or a parent of the minor who is the subject of a guardianship proceeding.
- SEC. 19. Section 70654 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70654. (a) The uniform filing fee for a petition for appointment of a guardian of the person only, is two hundred dollars (\$200).

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(b) Except as provided in subdivision (e), the uniform filing fee for objections or any other paper in opposition to a petition under subdivision (a) is two hundred dollars (\$200).

- (c) If a competing petition for appointment of a guardian subject to the fee under subdivision (a) is filed together with opposition to the petition of another by the same person, the person filing the competing petition and opposition shall be charged a filing fee only for the competing petition.
- (d) Notwithstanding Section 70658.5, if a petition for appointment of a temporary guardian is filed together with a petition for appointment of a guardian under subdivision (a), or a competing petition under subdivision (c) by the same person, the person filing the petitions shall be charged the applicable filing fees for both petitions.
- (e) No fee under this section shall be charged for objections or any other paper in opposition filed by or on behalf of the minor or a parent of the minor who is the subject of the proceeding.
- (f) The uniform filing fee charged under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.4.
- (g) No other fees shall be charged for filing a paper under this section in addition to the uniform filing fee provided for in this section.
- SEC. 19.5. Section 70654 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70654. (a) The uniform filing fee for a petition for appointment of a guardian of the person only, is two hundred five dollars (\$205).
- (b) Except as provided in subdivision (e), the uniform filing fee for objections or any other paper in opposition to a petition under subdivision (a) is two hundred five dollars (\$205).
- (c) If a competing petition for appointment of a guardian subject to the fee under subdivision (a) is filed together with opposition to the petition of another by the same person, the person filing the competing petition and opposition shall be charged a filing fee only for the competing petition.
- (d) Notwithstanding Section 70658.5, if a petition for appointment of a temporary guardian is filed together with a petition for appointment of a guardian under subdivision (a), or a competing petition under subdivision (c) by the same person, the person filing the petitions shall be charged the applicable filing fees for both petitions.

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(e) No fee under this section shall be charged for objections or any other paper in opposition filed by or on behalf of the minor or a parent of the minor who is the subject of the proceeding.

- (f) The uniform filing fee charged under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.4.
- (g) No other fees shall be charged for filing a paper under this section in addition to the uniform filing fee provided for in this section.
- 9 SEC. 20. Section 70655 of the Government Code is amended 10 to read:
 - 70655. (a) The uniform filing fee for a petition that commences any of the proceedings under the Probate Code listed in subdivision (c) is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).
 - (b) The uniform filing fee for objections or any other paper filed in opposition to a petition under subdivision (a) is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).
 - (c) This section applies to petitions or opposition concerning the following proceedings:
 - (1) A petition for compromise of a minor's claim pursuant to Section 3600 of the Probate Code.
 - (2) A petition to determine succession to real property pursuant to Section 13151 of the Probate Code.
 - (3) A spousal or domestic partnership property petition pursuant to Section 13650 of the Probate Code, except as provided in Section 13652 of the Probate Code.
 - (4) A petition to establish the fact of death to determine title to real property under Section 200 of the Probate Code.
 - (5) A petition for an order concerning a particular transaction pursuant to Section 3100 of the Probate Code.
 - (6) A petition concerning capacity determination and health care decision for an adult without conservator pursuant to Section 3200 of the Probate Code.
 - (7) A petition concerning an advance health care directive pursuant to Section 4766 of the Probate Code.
 - (8) A petition concerning a power of attorney pursuant to Section 4541 of the Probate Code.
- 37 (9) A petition for approval, compromise, or settlement of claims 38 against a deceased settlor, or for allocation of amounts due between 39 trusts, pursuant to Section 19020 of the Probate Code.

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(10) Any other petition that commences a proceeding under the Probate Code not otherwise provided for in this article.

- (d) The uniform filing fee charged under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.
- SEC. 20.5. Section 70655 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70655. (a) The uniform filing fee for a petition that commences any of the proceedings under the Probate Code listed in subdivision (c) is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355).
- (b) The uniform filing fee for objections or any other paper filed in opposition to a petition under subdivision (a) is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355).
- (c) This section applies to petitions or opposition concerning the following proceedings:
- (1) A petition for compromise of a minor's claim pursuant to Section 3600 of the Probate Code.
- (2) A petition to determine succession to real property pursuant to Section 13151 of the Probate Code.
- (3) A spousal or domestic partnership property petition pursuant to Section 13650 of the Probate Code, except as provided in Section 13652 of the Probate Code.
- (4) A petition to establish the fact of death to determine title to real property under Section 200 of the Probate Code.
- (5) A petition for an order concerning a particular transaction pursuant to Section 3100 of the Probate Code.
- (6) A petition concerning capacity determination and health care decision for adult without conservator pursuant to Section 3200 of the Probate Code.
- (7) A petition concerning an advance health care directive pursuant to Section 4766 of the Probate Code.
- (8) A petition concerning a power of attorney pursuant to Section 4541 of the Probate Code.
- (9) A petition for approval, compromise, or settlement of claims against a deceased settlor, or for allocation of amounts due between trusts, pursuant to Section 19020 of the Probate Code.
- (10) Any other petition that commences a proceeding under the Probate Code not otherwise provided for in this article.
- 38 (d) The uniform filing fee charged under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.

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SEC. 21. Section 70656 of the Government Code is amended to read:

- 70656. (a) The uniform filing fee for a petition requesting an order setting aside a decedent's estate of small value pursuant to Section 6602 of the Probate Code, if no estate proceeding is pending for the decedent, is two hundred dollars (\$200).
- (b) The uniform filing fee for objections or any other paper filed in opposition to a petition under subdivision (a) is two hundred dollars (\$200).
- (c) If a petition or objections or any other paper in opposition under this section is filed concurrently with a petition for appointment of a personal representative described in Section 70650, the petitioner or objector shall be charged only for the filing fee provided in Section 70650.
- (d) The uniform filing fee charged under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.4.
- (e) Except as provided in subdivision (c), no other fee shall be charged for filing a paper under this section in addition to the uniform filing fee provided for in this section.
- SEC. 21.5. Section 70656 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70656. (a) The uniform filing fee for a petition requesting an order setting aside a decedent's estate of small value pursuant to Section 6602 of the Probate Code, if no estate proceeding is pending for the decedent, is two hundred five dollars (\$205).
- (b) The uniform filing fee for objections or any other paper filed in opposition to a petition under subdivision (a) is two hundred five dollars (\$205).
- (c) If a petition or objections or any other paper in opposition under this section is filed concurrently with a petition for appointment of a personal representative described in Section 70650, the petitioner or objector shall be charged only for the filing fee provided in Section 70650.
- (d) The uniform filing fee charged under this section shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.4.
- (e) Except as provided in subdivision (c), no other fee shall be charged for filing a paper under this section in addition to the uniform filing fee provided for in this section.
- 39 SEC. 22. Section 70657 of the Government Code is amended 40 to read:

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70657. (a) Except as provided in subdivision (c), the uniform fee for filing a motion or other paper requiring a hearing subsequent to the first paper in a proceeding under the Probate Code, other than a petition or application or opposition described in Sections 70657.5 and 70658, is forty dollars (\$40). This fee shall be charged for the following papers:

(1) Papers listed in subdivision (a) of Section 70617.

- (2) Applications for ex parte relief, whether or not notice of the application to any person is required, except an ex parte petition for discharge of a personal representative, conservator, or guardian upon completion of a court-ordered distribution or transfer, for which no fee shall be charged.
- (3) Petitions or applications, or objections, filed subsequent to issuance of temporary letters of conservatorship or guardianship or letters of conservatorship or guardianship that are not subject to the filing fee provided in subdivision (a) of Section 70658.
- (4) The first or subsequent petition for temporary letters of conservatorship or guardianship.
- (b) There shall be no fee under subdivision (a) for filing any of the papers listed under subdivision (b) of Section 70617.
- (c) The summary judgment fee provided in subdivision (d) of Section 70617 shall apply to summary judgment motions in proceedings under the Probate Code.
- (d) Regardless of whether each motion or matter is heard at a single hearing or at separate hearings, the filing fees required by subdivisions (a) and (c) apply separately to each motion or other paper filed. The Judicial Council may publish rules to give uniform guidance to courts in applying fees under this section.
- (e) No fee is payable under this section for a petition or opposition filed subsequent to issuance of letters of temporary guardianship or letters of guardianship in a guardianship described in Section 70654.
- 33 SEC. 23. Section 70657.5 of the Government Code is amended to read:
 - 70657.5. (a) The uniform fee for filing the following petitions or applications, and objections or other opposition, is two hundred dollars (\$200):
- 38 (1) Petitions or applications, or opposition, concerning the 39 internal affairs of a trust that are not subject to the filing fees 40 provided in Section 70650, 70651, or 70652.

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(2) Petitions or applications, or objections, filed subsequent to issuance of special letters of administration or letters testamentary or of administration in decedent's estate proceedings that are not subject to the filing fee provided in subdivision (a) of Section 70658.

- (3) The first or subsequent petition for special letters of administration without the powers of a general personal representative.
- (b) One hundred sixty dollars (\$160) of each two-hundred-dollar (\$200) fee collected under subdivision (a) shall be transmitted to the state for deposit into the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5.
- (c) No fee is payable under this section for a disclaimer of an interest in a decedent's estate.
- SEC. 24. Section 70658 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70658. (a) Except as provided in subdivision (c), the uniform fee for filing a petition or application, or objections or any other paper in opposition to a petition or application listed in this subdivision, filed after issuance of letters testamentary, letters of administration, letters of special administration to a personal representative of a decedent's estate, or letters of guardianship or conservatorship, or letters of temporary guardianship or conservatorship to a guardian or conservator, is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350). This section shall apply to the following petitions or applications, or opposition:
- (1) Petition or application for or opposition to an order directing, authorizing, approving, or confirming the sale, lease, encumbrance, grant of an option, purchase, conveyance, or exchange of property.
- (2) Petition or application for or opposition to an order settling an account of a fiduciary.
- (3) Petition or application for or opposition to an order authorizing, instructing, or directing a fiduciary, or approving or confirming the acts of a fiduciary.
- (4) Petition or application for or opposition to an order fixing, authorizing, allowing, or directing payment of compensation or expenses of an attorney.

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(5) Petition or application for or opposition to an order fixing, authorizing, allowing, or directing payment of compensation or expenses of a fiduciary.

- (6) Petition or application for or opposition to an order surcharging or removing a fiduciary.
- (7) Petition or application for or opposition to an order transferring or authorizing the transfer of the property of an estate to a fiduciary in another jurisdiction.
- (8) Petition or application for or opposition to an order allowing a fiduciary's request to resign.
- (9) Petition or application for or opposition to an order adjudicating the merits of a claim made under Part 19 (commencing with Section 850) of Division 2 of the Probate Code.
- (10) Petition or application for or opposition to an order granting permission to fix the residence of a ward or conservatee at a place not within this state.
- (11) Petition or application for or opposition to an order directing, authorizing, approving, or modifying payments for support, maintenance, or education of a ward or conservatee or for a person entitled to support, maintenance, or education from a ward or conservatee.
- (12) Petition or application for or opposition to an order granting or denying a request under Section 2423, concerning payment of surplus income to the relatives of a conservatee, or Section 2580, concerning substituted judgment, of the Probate Code.
- (13) Petition or application for or opposition to an order affecting the legal capacity of a conservatee pursuant to Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 1870) of Part 3 of Division 4 of the Probate Code.
- (14) Petition or application for or opposition to an order adjudicating the merits of a claim under Article 5 (commencing with Section 2500) of Chapter 6 of Part 4 of Division 4 of the Probate Code.
- (b) The uniform fee in subdivision (a) shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3. No other fee shall be charged for filing a paper under this section in addition to the uniform filing fee provided for in this section.
- (c) The fee provided in this section shall not be charged for filing any of the following papers:

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1 (1) A petition or application, or opposition, in a guardianship proceeding under Section 70654.

- (2) A disclaimer of an interest in a decedent's estate.
- (d) One hundred seventy dollars (\$170) of each three-hundred-fifty-dollar (\$350) fee collected under this section shall be transmitted to the Controller for deposit into the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5.
- SEC. 24.5. Section 70658 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70658. (a) Except as provided in subdivision (c), the uniform fee for filing a petition or application, or objections or any other paper in opposition to a petition or application listed in this subdivision, filed after issuance of letters testamentary, letters of administration, letters of special administration to a personal representative of a decedent's estate, or letters of guardianship or conservatorship, or letters of temporary guardianship or conservatorship to a guardian or conservator, is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355). This section shall apply to the following petitions or applications, or opposition:
- (1) Petition or application for or opposition to an order directing, authorizing, approving, or confirming the sale, lease, encumbrance, grant of an option, purchase, conveyance, or exchange of property.
- (2) Petition or application for or opposition to an order settling an account of a fiduciary.
- (3) Petition or application for or opposition to an order authorizing, instructing, or directing a fiduciary, or approving or confirming the acts of a fiduciary.
- (4) Petition or application for or opposition to an order fixing, authorizing, allowing, or directing payment of compensation or expenses of an attorney.
- (5) Petition or application for or opposition to an order fixing, authorizing, allowing, or directing payment of compensation or expenses of a fiduciary.
- (6) Petition or application for or opposition to an order surcharging or removing a fiduciary.
- (7) Petition or application for or opposition to an order transferring or authorizing the transfer of the property of an estate to a fiduciary in another jurisdiction.

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(8) Petition or application for or opposition to an order allowing a fiduciary's request to resign.

- (9) Petition or application for or opposition to an order adjudicating the merits of a claim made under Part 19 (commencing with Section 850) of Division 2 of the Probate Code.
- (10) Petition or application for or opposition to an order granting permission to fix the residence of a ward or conservatee at a place not within this state.
- (11) Petition or application for or opposition to an order directing, authorizing, approving, or modifying payments for support, maintenance, or education of a ward or conservatee or for a person entitled to support, maintenance, or education from a ward or conservatee.
- (12) Petition or application for or opposition to an order granting or denying a request under Section 2423, concerning payment of surplus income to the relatives of a conservatee, or Section 2580, concerning substituted judgment, of the Probate Code.
- (13) Petition or application for or opposition to an order affecting the legal capacity of a conservatee pursuant to Chapter 4 (commencing with Section 1870) of Part 3 of Division 4 of the Probate Code.
- (14) Petition or application for or opposition to an order adjudicating the merits of a claim under Article 5 (commencing with Section 2500) of Chapter 6 of Part 4 of Division 4 of the Probate Code.
- (b) The uniform fee in subdivision (a) shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3. No other fee shall be charged for filing a paper under this section in addition to the uniform filing fee provided for in this section.
- (c) The fee provided in this section shall not be charged for filing any of the following papers:
- (1) A petition or application, or opposition, in a guardianship proceeding under Section 70654.
 - (2) A disclaimer of an interest in a decedent's estate.
- (d) One hundred seventy dollars (\$170) of each three-hundred-fifty-five-dollar (\$355) fee collected under this section shall be transmitted to the Controller for deposit into the
- 38 Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities
- 39 Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5.

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SEC. 25. Section 70670 of the Government Code is amended to read:

- 70670. (a) The uniform fee for filing the first paper in a proceeding under the Family Code, other than a proceeding for dissolution of marriage or domestic partnership, legal separation, or nullity, is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350). The fee shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.
- (b) The uniform fee for filing the first paper in a proceeding for dissolution of marriage or domestic partnership, legal separation, or nullity, is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350). The fee shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3, except that two dollars (\$2) of the funds that would otherwise be distributed to the Trial Court Trust Fund shall be transmitted to the Treasurer for deposit in the Health Statistics Special Fund.
- (c) The uniform fee for filing the first paper in a proceeding under subdivision (a) on behalf of any respondent, defendant, intervenor, or adverse party, whether separately or jointly, is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350). The fee shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.
- (d) The uniform fee for filing the first paper in a proceeding under subdivision (b) on behalf of any respondent, defendant, intervenor, or adverse party, whether separately or jointly, is three hundred fifty dollars (\$350). The fee shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.
- (e) The fees in this section do not apply to papers filed for the purpose of making a disclaimer.
- SEC. 25.5. Section 70670 of the Government Code is amended to read:
- 70670. (a) The uniform fee for filing the first paper in a proceeding under the Family Code, other than a proceeding for dissolution of marriage or domestic partnership, legal separation, or nullity, is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355). The fee shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.
- (b) The uniform fee for filing the first paper in a proceeding for dissolution of marriage or domestic partnership, legal separation, or nullity, is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355). The fee shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3, except that two dollars (\$2) of the funds that would otherwise be distributed to the Trial Court Trust Fund shall be transmitted to the Treasurer for deposit in the Health Statistics Special Fund.

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(c) The uniform fee for filing the first paper in a proceeding under subdivision (a) on behalf of any respondent, defendant, intervenor, or adverse party, whether separately or jointly, is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355). The fee shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.

- (d) The uniform fee for filing the first paper in a proceeding under subdivision (b) on behalf of any respondent, defendant, intervenor, or adverse party, whether separately or jointly, is three hundred fifty-five dollars (\$355). The fee shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.3.
- (e) The fees in this section do not apply to papers filed for the purpose of making a disclaimer.
- SEC. 26. Section 103470 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

103470. The fee for filing the petition is two hundred dollars (\$200). This fee shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.4 of the Government Code. The petition may be heard by any judge hearing probate matters, or if a probate department has been designated for hearing probate matters, the matter shall be assigned to the probate department for hearing.

SEC. 26.5. Section 103470 of the Health and Safety Code is amended to read:

103470. The fee for filing the petition is two hundred five dollars (\$205). This fee shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.4 of the Government Code. The petition may be heard by any judge hearing probate matters, or if a probate department has been designated for hearing probate matters, the matter shall be assigned to the probate department for hearing.

SEC. 27. Section 1203.1d of the Penal Code is amended to read:

1203.1d. (a) In determining the amount and manner of disbursement under an order made pursuant to this code requiring a defendant to make reparation or restitution to a victim of a crime, to pay any money as reimbursement for legal assistance provided by the court, to pay any cost of probation or probation investigation, to pay any cost of jail or other confinement, or to pay any other reimbursable costs, the court, after determining the amount of any fine and penalty assessments, and a county financial evaluation officer when making a financial evaluation, shall first determine the amount of restitution to be ordered paid to any

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1 victim, and shall then determine the amount of the other 2 reimbursable costs.

If payment is made in full, the payment shall be apportioned and disbursed in the amounts ordered by the court.

If reasonable and compatible with the defendant's financial ability, the court may order payments to be made in installments.

- (b) With respect to installment payments and amounts collected by the Franchise Tax Board pursuant to Section 19280 of the Revenue and Taxation Code and subsequently transferred by the Controller pursuant to Section 19282 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, the board of supervisors shall provide that disbursements be made in the following order of priority:
- (1) Restitution ordered to, or on behalf of, the victim pursuant to subdivision (f) of Section 1202.4.
 - (2) The state surcharge ordered pursuant to Section 1465.7.
- (3) Any fines, penalty assessments, and restitution fines ordered pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 1202.4. Payment of each of these items shall be made on a proportional basis to the total amount levied for all of these items.
 - (4) Any other reimbursable costs.
- (c) The board of supervisors shall apply these priorities of disbursement to orders or parts of orders in cases where defendants have been ordered to pay more than one court order.
- (d) Documentary evidence, such as bills, receipts, repair estimates, insurance payment statements, payroll stubs, business records, and similar documents relevant to the value of the stolen or damaged property, medical expenses, and wages and profits lost shall not be excluded as hearsay evidence.
- (e) Notwithstanding subdivision (b), if any statute that takes effect after January 1, 2009, either increases the amount of any item or adds a new item that would otherwise be subject to disbursement under paragraphs (2) to (4), inclusive, of subdivision (b), those additional amounts or the amount of any increase shall not be disbursed until after all reimbursable costs have been disbursed pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (b).
- (f) This section shall remain in effect only until January 1, 2012, and as of that date is repealed, unless a later enacted statute, that is enacted before January 1, 2012, deletes or extends that date. The task force on criminal and traffic-related court-ordered debts

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established pursuant to Section 1463.02 may recommend that this section be amended prior to that date.

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SEC. 27.5. Section 1203.1d is added to the Penal Code, to read: 1203.1d. (a) In determining the amount and manner of disbursement under an order made pursuant to this code requiring a defendant to make reparation or restitution to a victim of a crime, to pay any money as reimbursement for legal assistance provided by the court, to pay any cost of probation or probation investigation, to pay any cost of jail or other confinement, or to pay any other reimbursable costs, the court, after determining the amount of any fine and penalty assessments, and a county financial evaluation officer when making a financial evaluation, shall first determine the amount of restitution to be ordered paid to any victim, and shall then determine the amount of the other reimbursable costs.

If payment is made in full, the payment shall be apportioned and disbursed in the amounts ordered by the court.

If reasonable and compatible with the defendant's financial ability, the court may order payments to be made in installments.

- (b) With respect to installment payments and amounts collected by the Franchise Tax Board pursuant to Section 19280 of the Revenue and Taxation Code and subsequently transferred by the Controller pursuant to Section 19282 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, the board of supervisors shall provide that disbursements be made in the following order of priority:
- (1) Restitution ordered to, or on behalf of, the victim pursuant to subdivision (f) of Section 1202.4.
 - (2) The state surcharge ordered pursuant to Section 1465.7.
- (3) Any fines, penalty assessments, and restitution fines ordered pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 1202.4. Payment of each of these items shall be made on a proportional basis to the total amount levied for all of these items.
 - (4) Any other reimbursable costs.
- (c) The board of supervisors shall apply these priorities of disbursement to orders or parts of orders in cases where defendants have been ordered to pay more than one court order.
- (d) Documentary evidence, such as bills, receipts, repair estimates, insurance payment statements, payroll stubs, business records, and similar documents relevant to the value of the stolen

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or damaged property, medical expenses, and wages and profits lost shall not be excluded as hearsay evidence.

- (e) This section shall become operative on January 1, 2012.
- 4 SEC. 28. Section 1463.010 of the Penal Code is amended to 5 read:

1463.010. The uniform imposition and enforcement of court-ordered debts are recognized as an important element of California's judicial system. Prompt, efficient, and effective imposition and collection of court-ordered fees, fines, forfeitures, penalties, restitution, and assessments ensure the appropriate respect for court orders. The California State Association of Counties and the Administrative Office of the Courts are jointly committed to identifying, improving, and seeking to expand access to mechanisms and tools that will enhance efforts to collect court-ordered debt. To provide for this prompt, efficient, and effective collection:

- (a) The Judicial Council shall adopt guidelines for a comprehensive program concerning the collection of moneys owed for fees, fines, forfeitures, penalties, and assessments imposed by court order. As part of its guidelines, the Judicial Council may establish standard agreements for entities to provide collection services. As part of its guidelines, the Judicial Council shall include provisions that promote competition by and between entities in providing collection services to courts and counties. The Judicial Council may delegate to the Administrative Director of the Courts the implementation of the aspects of this program to be carried out at the state level.
- (b) The courts and counties shall maintain the collection program that was in place on January 1, 1996, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the court and county. The program may wholly or partially be staffed and operated within the court itself, may be wholly or partially staffed and operated by the county, or may be wholly or partially contracted with a third party. In carrying out this collection program, each superior court and county shall develop a cooperative plan to implement the Judicial Council guidelines. In the event that a court and a county are unwilling or unable to enter into a cooperative plan pursuant to this section, prior to the arbitration procedures required by subdivision (e) of Section 1214.1, the court or the county may request the continuation of negotiations with mediation assistance as mutually

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agreed upon and provided by the Administrative Director of the Courts and the California State Association of Counties.

- (c) The Judicial Council shall develop performance measures and benchmarks to review the effectiveness of the cooperative superior court and county collection programs operating pursuant to this section. Each superior court and county shall jointly report to the Judicial Council, as provided by the Judicial Council, information requested in a reporting template on or before September 1, 2009, and annually thereafter. The Judicial Council shall report to the Legislature on December 31, 2009, and annually thereafter, on all of the following:
- (1) The extent to which each court or county is following best practices for its collection program.
 - (2) The performance of each collection program.
- (3) Any changes necessary to improve performance of collection programs statewide.
- (d) The Judicial Council may, when the efficiency and effectiveness of the collection process may be improved, facilitate a joint collection program between superior courts, between counties, or between superior courts and counties.
- (e) The Judicial Council may establish, by court rule, a program providing for the suspension and nonrenewal of a business and professional license if the holder of the license has unpaid fees, fines, forfeitures, penalties, and assessments imposed upon them under a court order. The Judicial Council may provide that some or all of the superior courts or counties participate in the program. Any program established by the Judicial Council shall ensure that the licensee receives adequate and appropriate notice of the proposed suspension or nonrenewal of his or her license and has an opportunity to contest the suspension or nonrenewal. The opportunity to contest may not require a court hearing.
- (f) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Judicial Council, after consultation with the Franchise Tax Board with respect to collections under Section 19280 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, may provide for an amnesty program involving the collection of outstanding fees, fines, forfeitures, penalties, and assessments, applicable either statewide or within one or more counties. The amnesty program shall provide that some or all of the interest or collections costs imposed on outstanding fees, fines,

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1 forfeitures, penalties, and assessments may be waived if the 2 remaining amounts due are paid within the amnesty period.

- SEC. 29. Section 7660 of the Probate Code is amended to read: 7660. (a) If a public administrator takes possession or control of an estate pursuant to this chapter, the public administrator may, acting as personal representative of the estate, summarily dispose of the estate in the manner provided in this article in either of the following circumstances:
- (1) The total value of the property in the decedent's estate does not exceed the amount prescribed in Section 13100. The authority provided by this paragraph may be exercised only upon order of the court. The order may be made upon ex parte application. The fee to be allowed to the clerk for the filing of the application is two hundred dollars (\$200). The authority for this summary administration of the estate shall be evidenced by a court order for summary disposition.
- (2) The total value of the property in the decedent's estate does not exceed thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000). The authority provided by this paragraph may be exercised without court authorization.
- (A) A public administrator who is authorized to summarily dispose of property of a decedent pursuant to this paragraph may issue a written certification of Authority for Summary Administration. The written certification is effective for 30 days after the date of issuance.
- (B) A financial institution, government or private agency, retirement fund administrator, insurance company, licensed securities dealer, or other person shall, without the necessity of inquiring into the truth of the written certification of Authority for Summary Administration and without court order or letters being issued do all of the following:
- (i) Provide the public administrator complete information concerning any property held in the name of the decedent, including the names and addresses of any beneficiaries or joint owners.
- (ii) Grant the public administrator access to a safe-deposit box or storage facility rented in the name of the decedent for the purpose of inspection and removal of property of the decedent. Costs and expenses incurred in accessing a safe-deposit box or storage facility shall be borne by the estate of the decedent.

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(iii) Surrender to the public administrator any property of the decedent that is held or controlled by the financial institution, agency, retirement fund administrator, insurance company, licensed securities dealer, or other person.

- (C) Receipt by a financial institution, government or private agency, retirement fund administrator, insurance company, licensed securities dealer, or other person of the written certification provided by this article shall do both of the following:
- (i) Constitute sufficient acquittance for providing information or granting access to a safe-deposit box or a storage facility and for surrendering any property of the decedent.
- (ii) Fully discharge the financial institution, government or private agency, retirement fund administrator, insurance company, licensed securities dealer, or other person from liability for any act or omission of the public administrator with respect to the property, a safe-deposit box, or a storage facility.
- (b) Summary disposition may be made notwithstanding the existence of the decedent's will, if the will does not name an executor or if the named executor refuses to act.
- (c) Nothing in this article precludes the public administrator from filing a petition with the court under any other provision of this code concerning the administration of the decedent's estate.
- (d) Petitions filed pursuant to this article shall contain the information required by Section 8002.
- (e) If a public administrator takes possession or control of an estate pursuant to this chapter, this article conveys the authority of a personal representative as described in Section 9650 to the public administrator to summarily dispose of the estates pursuant to the procedures described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (a).
- (f) The fee charged under paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.4 of the Government Code. When an application is filed under that paragraph, no other fees shall be charged in addition to the uniform filing fee provided for in Section 68085.4 of the Government Code.
- SEC. 29.5. Section 7660 of the Probate Code is amended to read:
- 7660. (a) If a public administrator takes possession or control of an estate pursuant to this chapter, the public administrator may, acting as personal representative of the estate, summarily dispose

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of the estate in the manner provided in this article in either of the following circumstances:

- (1) The total value of the property in the decedent's estate does not exceed the amount prescribed in Section 13100. The authority provided by this paragraph may be exercised only upon order of the court. The order may be made upon ex parte application. The fee to be allowed to the clerk for the filing of the application is two hundred five dollars (\$205). The authority for this summary administration of the estate shall be evidenced by a court order for summary disposition.
- (2) The total value of the property in the decedent's estate does not exceed thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000). The authority provided by this paragraph may be exercised without court authorization.
- (A) A public administrator who is authorized to summarily dispose of property of a decedent pursuant to this paragraph may issue a written certification of Authority for Summary Administration. The written certification is effective for 30 days after the date of issuance.
- (B) A financial institution, government or private agency, retirement fund administrator, insurance company, licensed securities dealer, or other person shall, without the necessity of inquiring into the truth of the written certification of Authority for Summary Administration and without court order or letters being issued do all of the following:
- (i) Provide the public administrator complete information concerning any property held in the name of the decedent, including the names and addresses of any beneficiaries or joint owners.
- (ii) Grant the public administrator access to a safe-deposit box or storage facility rented in the name of the decedent for the purpose of inspection and removal of property of the decedent. Costs and expenses incurred in accessing a safe-deposit box or storage facility shall be borne by the estate of the decedent.
- (iii) Surrender to the public administrator any property of the decedent that is held or controlled by the financial institution, agency, retirement fund administrator, insurance company, licensed securities dealer, or other person.
- (C) Receipt by a financial institution, government or private agency, retirement fund administrator, insurance company, licensed

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securities dealer, or other person of the written certification provided by this article shall do both of the following:

- (i) Constitute sufficient acquittance for providing information or granting access to a safe-deposit box or a storage facility and for surrendering any property of the decedent.
- (ii) Fully discharge the financial institution, government or private agency, retirement fund administrator, insurance company, licensed securities dealer, or other person from liability for any act or omission of the public administrator with respect to the property, a safe-deposit box, or a storage facility.
- (b) Summary disposition may be made notwithstanding the existence of the decedent's will, if the will does not name an executor or if the named executor refuses to act.
- (c) Nothing in this article precludes the public administrator from filing a petition with the court under any other provision of this code concerning the administration of the decedent's estate.
- (d) Petitions filed pursuant to this article shall contain the information required by Section 8002.
- (e) If a public administrator takes possession or control of an estate pursuant to this chapter, this article conveys the authority of a personal representative as described in Section 9650 to the public administrator to summarily dispose of the estates pursuant to the procedures described in paragraphs (1) and (2) of subdivision (a).
- (f) The fee charged under paragraph (1) of subdivision (a) shall be distributed as provided in Section 68085.4 of the Government Code. When an application is filed under that paragraph, no other fees shall be charged in addition to the uniform filing fee provided for in Section 68085.4 of the Government Code.
- SEC. 30. Section 40611 of the Vehicle Code is amended to read:
- 40611. (a) Upon proof of correction of an alleged violation of Section 12500 or 12951, or any violation cited pursuant to Section 40610, or upon submission of evidence of financial responsibility pursuant to subdivision (e) of Section 16028, the clerk shall collect a twenty-five-dollar (\$25) transaction fee for each violation. The fees shall be deposited by the clerk in accordance with Section 68084 of the Government Code.
- 39 (b) (1) For each citation, ten dollars (\$10) shall be allocated 40 monthly as follows:

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 (A) Thirty-three percent shall be transferred to the local governmental entity in whose jurisdiction the citation was issued for deposit in the general fund of the entity.

- (B) Thirty-four percent shall be transferred to the State Treasury for deposit in the State Penalty Fund established by Section 1464 of the Penal Code.
- (C) Thirty-three percent shall be deposited in the county general fund.
- (2) The remainder of the fees collected on each citation shall be deposited in the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5 of the Government Code.
- (c) No fee shall be imposed pursuant to this section if the violation notice is processed only by the issuing agency and no record of the action is transmitted to the court.
- SEC. 31. Section 42007.1 of the Vehicle Code is amended to read:
- 42007.1. (a) The fee collected by the clerk pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 42007 shall be in an amount equal to the total bail set forth for the eligible offense on the uniform countywide bail schedule plus forty-nine dollars (\$49).
- (b) Notwithstanding subdivision (b) of Section 42007, the revenue from the forty-nine-dollar (\$49) fee collected under this section shall be deposited in the county general fund. Fifty-one percent of the amount collected under this section and deposited into the county general fund shall be transmitted therefrom monthly to the Controller for deposit in the Immediate and Critical Needs Account of the State Court Facilities Construction Fund, established in Section 70371.5 of the Government Code.
- SEC. 32. The provisions of this act are severable. If any provision of this act or its application is held invalid, that invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application.
- SEC. 33. Section 1.7 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 68085.1 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and AB 1873. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009,
- 38 (2) each bill amends Section 68085.1 of the Government Code,
- 39 and (3) this bill is enacted after AB 1873, in which case Section
- 40 1.5 of this bill shall not become operative.

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SEC. 34. Section 2.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 68085.3 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 68085.3 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 2 of this bill shall not become operative.

 SEC. 35. Section 3.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 68085.4 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 68085.4 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 3 of this bill shall not become operative.

SEC. 36. Section 4.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 68086.1 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 68086.1 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 4 of this bill shall not become operative.

SEC. 37. Section 10.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 70611 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 70611 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 10 of this bill shall not become operative.

SEC. 38. Section 11.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 70612 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 70612 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 11 of this bill shall not become operative.

SEC. 39. Section 12.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 70613 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 70613 of the Government Code, and (3)

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this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 12 of this
bill shall not become operative.

- SEC. 40. Section 13.3 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 70614 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 70614 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 13 of this bill shall not become operative.
 - SEC. 41. Section 14.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 70621 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 70621 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 14 of this bill shall not become operative.
 - SEC. 42. Section 15.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 70650 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 70650 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 15 of this bill shall not become operative.
 - SEC. 43. Section 16.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 70651 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 70651 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 16 of this bill shall not become operative.
 - SEC. 44. Section 17.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 70652 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 70652 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 17 of this bill shall not become operative.
- 38 SEC. 45. Section 18.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to 39 Section 70653 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill 40 and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are

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enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 70653 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 18 of this bill shall not become operative.

SEC. 46. Section 19.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 70654 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 70654 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 19 of this bill shall not become operative.

SEC. 47. Section 20.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 70655 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 70655 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 20 of this bill shall not become operative.

SEC. 48. Section 21.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 70656 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 70656 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 21 of this bill shall not become operative.

SEC. 49. Section 24.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 70658 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 70658 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 24 of this bill shall not become operative.

SEC. 50. Section 25.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 70670 of the Government Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 70670 of the Government Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 25 of this bill shall not become operative.

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SEC. 51. Section 26.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 103470 of the Health and Safety Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 103470 of the Health and Safety Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 26 of this bill shall not become operative. SEC. 52. Section 29.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to

SEC. 52. Section 29.5 of this bill incorporates amendments to Section 7660 of the Probate Code proposed by both this bill and SB 1177. It shall only become operative if (1) both bills are enacted and become effective on or before January 1, 2009, (2) each bill amends Section 7660 of the Probate Code, and (3) this bill is enacted after SB 1177, in which case Section 29 of this bill shall not become operative.